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'Amazing no one was hurt'

Construction mishap likely caused roof to collapse in nursing home Roughly three dozen residents, staff were in the area

Residents were forced to scramble as thousands of pounds of construction material fell through the roof and into the dining room of a southeast nursing home yesterday.

The incident occurred around 12:20 p.m. at Clifton Manor, located in the 4700 block of 8th Avenue SE, and was likely caused by an oversight on behalf of crews repairing the roof, said Mario Siciliano, president and CEO of the group that owns the home.

"It appears as if roofing materials were left in too concentrated of an area and caused the breach," he said. "I can only tell you what I have observed, which is a bunch of materials on the ground with a hole above it."

Dale McFadyen, who was organizing crews working at the manor for industrial transportation group Driver Direct, said a palette weighing roughly 2,200 pounds had fallen through the roof.

"It's amazing no one was hurt," he said.

William Stoltz was inside the manor's exercise room when the cave-in occurred.

"They made us get out of there so they could get everything under control," he said. "Everything was OK."

Siciliano said the dining room had been cordoned off and no residents were displaced.

An investigation into the incident is ongoing.

JEREMY NOLAIS

"I think we have a number of heroes there that were able to move the residents out of the way as they heard the roof coming through."
MARIO SICILIANO, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF THE BRENDA STRAFFORD FOUNDATION, WHICH OWNS CLIFTON MANOR

Clifton Manor

- **Residents** Clifton Manor is home to about 250 residents, said president and CEO Mario Siciliano.
- **Replacing shingles** Siciliano's group took control of the nursing home in December. He said work was being done to replace shingles and repair leaks on the roof.

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▶ William Stoltz receives a hug yesterday after leaving Clifton Manor, where a portion of the roof collapsed yesterday.

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▶ Trails along Seven Persons Creek are closed in sections to avoid flood waters.

Flood fears still linger in the Hat

State of local emergency remains in effect for Medicine Hat and nearby Cypress County

Danger has subsided for now, but a wariness lingers over what lies ahead for flood-prepared citizens of Medicine Hat.

With precipitation forecast overnight, local resident Andrea Boyko remains fearful the waters — now only 200 feet from her home — will seep into her bungalow.

Though the mandatory evacuation declared Tuesday evening of roughly 40 homes between Medicine Hat and the Seven Persons reservoir has been lifted, a state of local emergency remains in effect for Medicine Hat and neighbouring Cypress County according to a city release yesterday.

Boyko finished up repairs to her basement from last year's floods just two weeks ago. Despite having spent a month building a four-foot wall of dirt, clay and sandbags around her home, she is still worried.

"I'm praying," said Boyko. "I live in flood zone and now I've made too many claims so the insurance company won't cover more damages."

While the City of Medicine Hat has taken precautions to mitigate flood damages, having distributed more than 20,000 sandbags to residents, the city says, Boyko is still not convinced that enough has been done.

"Last night while we were in a state of emergency everything was lit up like a Christmas tree. Are you kidding me?" said Boyko.

The city is warning all residents to stay clear of Kin Coulee Park and all leisure trails near Seven Persons Creek.

Officials are also continuing to monitor water levels as melt waters were expected to reach Seven Persons Creek yesterday and today, according to a release.

CAROLINA NOVOTNY

Renner visits the flood area

Alberta Environment Minister Rob Renner says there's some reason to be optimistic about flood-threatened southeastern Alberta. Renner and some cabinet colleagues toured his Medicine Hat riding and also visited the Seven Persons reservoir that has been threatened by rising waters. He says the earthen dam has basically failed, but there's no danger it will empty in one huge wall of water.

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Pro-life students go to court

Eight University of Calgary students who oppose abortion say they are taking a fight over a controversial display to court.

The students are members of Campus Pro-Life and were found guilty by the university last year of non-academic misconduct.

The decision was upheld by the university's appeal board and the board of governors.

Group president Alanna Campbell says the students weren't given a chance to argue their case either time, and will now take it to Alberta Court of Queen's Bench.

She says they don't believe they have done anything wrong and are standing by their principles.

The display featured graphic photos and compared abortion to atrocities such as the Holocaust.

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911 misuse costs city $1M

Awareness campaign underway ◆ Delays while responding to fake calls growing concern: Manager ◆ Ninety per cent of false calls from cellphones

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Nearly half of the 911 calls Calgary emergency communication officers take these days aren't emergencies at all.

Muffled voices or the jingle of keys are common as individuals unknowingly pocket dial the emergency response centre.

Others seem to be confused about what actually constitutes an emergency.

"We do have people calling 911 just to check the time or to get a phone number," said Steve Dongworth, manager of public safety communications, noting that false calls detract from response to real emergencies.

"That's obviously inexcusable and a misuse of the system," he added.

Accidental and false 911 inquiries now account for up to 40 per cent of all calls coming into the response centre, creating a huge headache and cost to the tune of $1 million annually, Dongworth said.

"We have, obviously, our staffing costs ... every four minutes we get one of these calls," Dongworth said.

JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

▶ Typically, 60 Calgary emergency communications officers are ready and able to take a 911 call at any given time.

You should know

- The emergency response call centre receives roughly **1,000 calls each day.**
- It typically takes an emergency communications officer **3-5 minutes to deal with an accidental 911 call,** Steve Dongworth said.
- **Measures to prevent accidental 911 calls** include putting your phone in standby mode, removing batteries from inactive phones, not letting children play with your phone and not pre-programming 911 into your phone.

Melanie Pisesky, who has worked in the call centre for 11 years, said if there is any indication of an actual emergency she is required to dispatch emergency services.

"It happens that we dispatch police to a movie on television," she said. "It would be better if we didn't have to deal with 300-400 (accidental) calls every day."

Province warns of scamming plumber

The Alberta government is warning consumers about a plumbing company based in the Edmonton area that has received many complaints, including grossly overcharging customers.

Service Alberta believes that Donald John Connors is continuing to offer his services despite being charged under Alberta consumer protection laws.

4 The number of charges laid on April 6 under the Fair Trading Act, including failing to provide a refund.

Connors has been known to operate as either Drain Rescue, 24HR Drain Cleaning, or 24 Hour Plumbing.

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Fire forces evacuation

Smoke from a basement fire on Erin Woods Drive Southeast forced the evacuation of three homes yesterday evening, according to fire officials. A total of six adults and several children were evacuated. The cause of the fire is still under investigation. METRO

Man faces porn charges

A Calgary man was arrested in Philadelphia on charges related to child porn after an investigation by the FBI and the Southern Alberta Internet Child Exploitation Unit. It's believed at least one of the alleged victims is a Calgary child.

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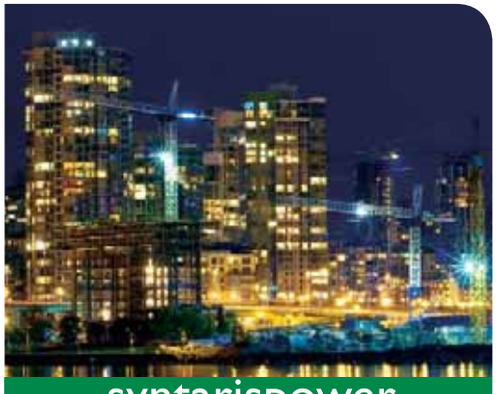

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▶ The city and developers have apparently come to terms on new levies on subdivision developments.

City, developers strike a deal

Recommendations coming to city committee April 20 Development levy negotiations more difficult under Plan It Calgary: Urban Development Institute

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After months of discussion between the city and the development industry, a deal has been struck on what fees developers should cover in building new communities.

Michael Flynn of the Urban Development Institute remained tight-lipped about the specifics of the agreement but said the negotiation process was difficult.

Flynn said the levies placed on the developers will ultimately be passed on to the consumer so striking a balance between what's affordable and what the city wants was a challenge.

180
The number of member companies represented by the Urban Development Institute Calgary

"If it becomes too expensive for those people to come here and do business than what's going to stop them from moving across the imaginary line to Airdrie."

Ald. Ray Jones said he has yet to see the recommendations coming forward next week but said it's necessary for developers to shoulder some of the costs of building facilities like fire halls and recreation centres.

"I think everybody knows the development levies have to go up," he said. "If you want them, you're going to have to pay for them."

Stampede unveils new midway treats

COURTESY CALGARY STAMPEDE

▶ The doughnut burger

Loosen them belt buckles, the Calgary Stampede has released a sneak peek of this year's food offerings on the midway.

Mac & cheese pizza, chicken cheese steak sandwiches and pork chops on sticks are just some of items being added to this year's culinary lineup, said James Radke, the Stampede's midway operations manager.

"Some people are always looking for the new, the unique, the crazy and interesting foods ... so we are challenging our vendors who come from all over North America to think outside of the box," said Radke, adding he is mostly looking forward to the doughnut burger.

Calorie counts for all the new midway foods have yet to be calculated, Radke said.

He added that last year's hottest debut was the pulled pork parfait but thinks the turkeytini could surpass it this time around.

"It's for the sophisticated," Radke said of the martini glass filled with all the customary turkey dinner fixings.

For more information on the new foods, visit cs.calgarystampede.com/blog.

JEREMY NOLAIS

Outrageous offerings:

1. Colossal Onion – One large onion that is cut to resemble a flower, then breaded and deep fried. It's "bigger than your head," said the Stampede's James Radke.
2. Deep-fried pop tarts — Pretty much what it sounds like, this tasty treats come with a dollop of whip cream.
3. Turkeytini – Turkey, mashed potatoes, possibly stuffing, gravy and a little cranberry sauce served up in a martini glass.
4. Doughnut burger — Hamburger and all the fixing squeezed between two glazed donuts.

Black cart delivery coming in two weeks

Black cart delivery to the city's northwest and southwest quadrants will begin in the next two weeks, according to a city release. By the end of June, all homes in Calgary are expected to have a black garbage cart.

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Public consultation open for River Park

Calgarians have until Friday to have their say in the online consultation on River Park, Sandy Beach and Britannia Slopes. The online discussion can be found at www.riverparkconsultation.ca.

A draft of the plan will be posted online in mid-May. METRO

Men sought after girls harassed

Public assistance is being sought by police to find two suspects who allegedly approached three young girls in the northeast Tuesday.

The two men, both believed to be in their 20s, pulled up to the girls in a dark green van and made inappropriate comments.

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POWER PRICING

Electricity relief coming

Alberta's energy minister says relief is coming for consumers who have been zapped by spiking electricity prices.

Ron Liepert says the new Keephills power plant near Edmonton will soon be operating and oilsands projects will also be pumping more electricity into the grid.

Liepert says recent rate increases were expected after two older power plants shut down.

Some businesses and residential consumers say monthly power bills have risen by 65 per cent since the fall, and analysts are predicting another jump this month.

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TaxFighter award for Klein

The TaxFighter Award — the top prize presented by the Canadian Taxpayers Federation — is being given to former premier Ralph Klein and his first finance minister, Jim Dinning, at an April 18 fundraiser, according to reports.

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Lottery winners announced

The STARS 2011 lottery named its winners yesterday, making Calgarian Emmanuel Caissie a new homeowner, according to reports. The lottery, which remains the organization's largest source of funding, raised about $10 million.

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Students' efforts bring PostSecret founder to city

New York Times bestselling author to lecture at U of C

CAROLINA NOVOTNY/FOR METRO

▶ Taylor Peterson is a big fan of the PostSecret blog, which inspired her to bring its founder to Calgary for a lecture.

PostSecret.com is oddly addictive.

The popular website displays postcards mailed anonymously to creator Frank Warren, revealing people's secrets — everything from sexually deviant thoughts to suicidal musings — and its pull is almost voyeuristic.

University of Calgary student Taylor Peterson is one of millions who looks though the secrets regularly, but one entry changed her outlook and led her on a campaign to bring Warren to speak at her school for a $20,000 fee.

The entry was a photo of a busy street with an X marking the spot that read: "This is where I was when I knew I wanted to step out into the traffic rather than keep struggling alone. It is now one year on to the day. I still don't know why I didn't go through with it but I'm glad."

"That secret made me realize how close I had been ... I could have been a statistic," Peterson said.

So when her general studies class posed the question, "How are you going to change the world?" Peterson suggested raising funds for the Centre for Suicide Prevention and bringing Warren to speak at the university.

"It seemed like a pipe dream," said fellow group member Kait Bohan, but after exchanging emails with Warren's publicist a speaking engagement was set up for today. And even better, Warren waived his appearance fee.

CAROLINA NOVOTNY

Need to know

- The lecture takes place today at 7 p.m. at U of C's MacEwan Hall. Tickets can be bought through primeboxoffice.com for $18 to $28.
- Working to bring the lecture to Calgary were students Taylor Peterson, Kait Bohan, Katie Waroway, Tammy Rousseau and Amanda Ho.

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HUMILIATION

RCMP caught on tape pleads guilty

An Alberta RCMP officer who admitted he beat a prisoner has been given three months house arrest followed by three months under a curfew.

Const. Desmond Sandboe testified at his trial that he was attacked by a man who was in a cell at the Lac La Biche detachment in September 2009.

But video surveillance showed that wasn't the case and he pleaded guilty to assaulting Andrew Clyburn, 33.

The nine-year veteran had already been suspended without pay.

Sandboe said outside court that he "truly regrets" everything that has happened and said he's been humiliated.

"I'm a good guy, I made a mistake and I just want to apologize." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Fabricating fashions

Up-and-coming designers will be debuting their lines at this weekend's Fabricated event. Catch the collections at the Grand Theatre on April 16. For more information visit www.getfabricatednow.blogspot.com. METRO

Pipes iced since March

One Inglewood business has been without water since March due to frozen pipes. Ninth Avenue Auto and Fulcrum Advertising currently use a hose connected to a fire hydrant as their water supply until the pipes thaw. METRO

Snow puts a damper on golfers' green dreams

KATIE TURNER/METRO

▶ Like many Calgary golfers, Rick Wong is eager to hit the links as soon as the weather warms up.

Local courses miss out on spring golf
Golfers hoping for long summer

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After months of enduring the cold weather, Calgary golfer Rick Wong has golfing on the mind and said he can't wait to hit the links.

"I'm very anxious, almost to the point where we're talking about taking a golf trip somewhere because the weather isn't cooperating here," said Wong.

Despite another brush with winter this week, at least two of Calgary's golf courses plan to open next week.

"People have had a long winter so they're anxious to get out and play," said Greg Griffith, head pro at Fox Hollow.

Griffith said last summer was less than ideal for golfers so they're hoping for much better weather this year.

"Last season was horrible, it rained everyday," said Griffith. "We need to get things open and keep them going this year."

Perry Fleming, vice-president of operations at Valley Ridge, said they're opening late this year so they're hoping to make up for lost time.

"We're hoping for a long, hot summer," he said. "We've had no spring so we're hoping, obviously, for dry weather this year."

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Nice guys no longer

French debate's a donnybrook as four leaders take off the gloves

Election 2011

Fireworks lit up the Ottawa sky last night — and there were fireworks inside the conference centre where the televised French-language leaders' debate took place.

After Tuesday's comparatively stiff and staid English debate, the four leaders ramped up the rhetoric in a French-language donnybrook.

Stephen Harper's understanding of Canada's system of government came under sustained attack and an exchange on the legitimacy of coalitions was just the beginning of a sharp-elbowed evening.

The effectiveness of corporate tax cuts, the federal long-gun registry, the Tory agenda on crime, harmonized sales taxes — and the import of "Republican values" from the U.S. — made for a rather less comfortable evening for the front-running prime minister.

Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff, looking more animated and engaged than he did Tuesday, got into several pitched battles with his rivals, notably NDP Leader Jack Layton and Bloc Québécois Leader Gilles Duceppe.

Ignatieff tried to wrap himself in the Canadian flag, suggesting that Quebecers are no longer concerned about the country's long-standing constitutional battles.

"Nobody ever talked to me about the Constitution; nobody ever mentioned it," Ignatieff said of his extensive travels through Quebec last summer.

"Quebecers are concerned about other issues."

Duceppe pounced.

"In 2011 it doesn't matter anymore? Is that what you're saying?" he said.

"That's the same thing Pierre Trudeau was saying back in 1976."

The fiery exchange allowed Harper to get off perhaps his best line of an evening otherwise dominated by his opponents.

He has been pounding on the hypothetical scenario of a Liberal-NDP-Bloc coalition.

"Imagine, ladies and gentlemen," he said, looking directly into the camera, "another minority parliament with these three parties trying to form a government.

"The same old constitutional and linguistic squabbles."

For Harper, the stakes are clear.

The Bloc has held at least half of Quebec's seats in every federal election since 1993.

The Liberals have been reduced to 14 seats.

The NDP won a lone Montreal seat in 2008.

Harper was also forced to dodge a direct question on where his proposed billions in budget cuts would come from, citing instead his party's "modest promises compared to the other parties."

And on the explosive issue of American values, the Prime Minister responded that he's "very proud of speaking French."

"I've even spoken French at the White House," he said.

Harper's months-long effort to paint a potential coalition government as illegitimate was rebutted by Duceppe.

Duceppe cited a letter Harper wrote in 2004, with Duceppe and Layton onside, imploring the Governor General to explore "all options" if the newly elected minority Liberal government was defeated on its throne speech.

"We weren't talking about a coup d'état, obviously," said Duceppe, drawing chuckles from the small studio audience that had been warned to remain silent.

Harper accused Duceppe of "trying to rewrite history." "A vote for the Bloc is a vote for (Liberal Leader Michael) Ignatieff," he said.

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Power play

- Jack Layton tried to portray Gilles Duceppe as the coach of a hockey team with no offensive players.
- "You and your team, you're like a hockey team made up of defencemen only," Layton quipped. "The NDP can score goals."

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▶ Starting out as friends: Jack Layton, Gilles Duceppe, Stephen Harper and Michael Ignatieff shake hands at the start of last night's French-language televised election debate.

"You know as well as I do, nothing's getting done in Ottawa. We're treading water ... we have to change things. It's not enough to oppose Mr. Harper. We have to replace him."

NDP LEADER JACK LAYTON, SPEAKING OUT IN LAST NIGHT'S DEBATE

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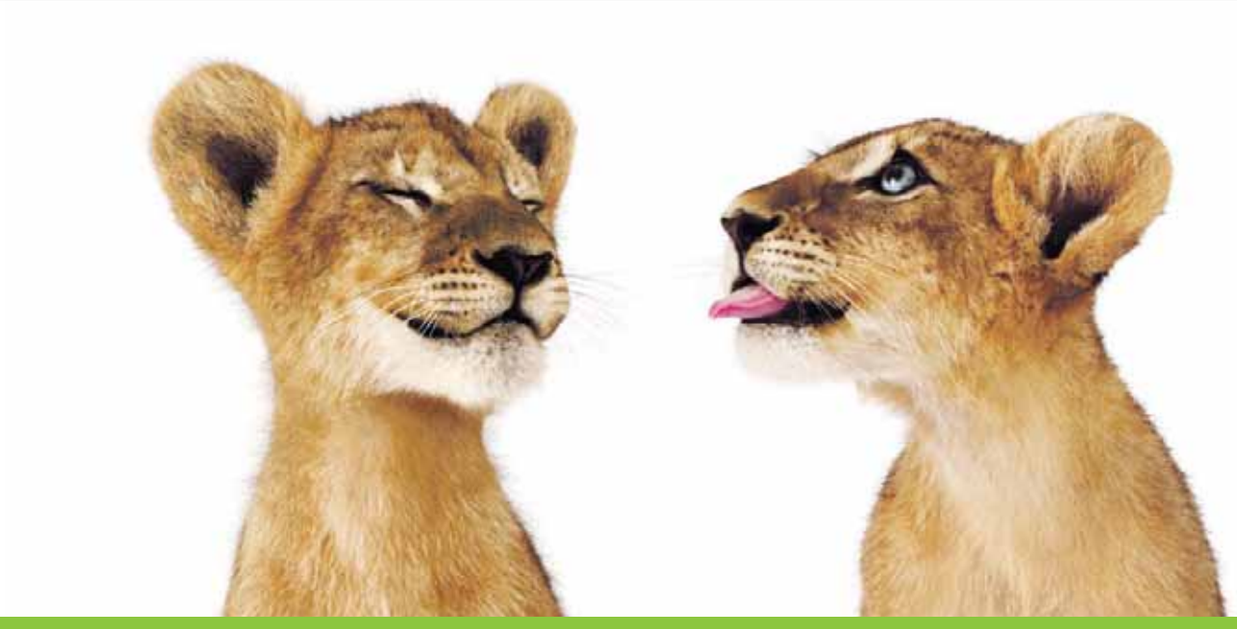

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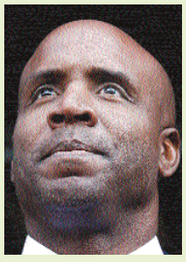
BARRY BONDS

Baseball star found guilty of obstruction

A U.S. federal jury convicted Barry Bonds of a single charge of obstruction of justice yesterday, but failed to reach a verdict on the three counts at the heart of allegations that he knowingly used steroids and human growth hormone and lied to a grand jury about it.



After a 12-day trial and almost four full days of deliberation, the jury of eight women and four men could reach a unanimous verdict on only one of the four counts against Bonds. U.S. District Judge Susan Illston declared a mistrial on the others, a messy end to a case that put the slugger — and baseball itself — under a cloud of suspicion for more than three years.

Bonds sat stone-faced through the verdict, displaying no emotion.

His legal team immediately asked that the guilty verdict be thrown out. Illston did not rule on the request and set May 20 for a hearing in the case.

The case also represented the culmination of the federal investigation into the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative steroids ring.

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Lost in translation: Birth control is holy?

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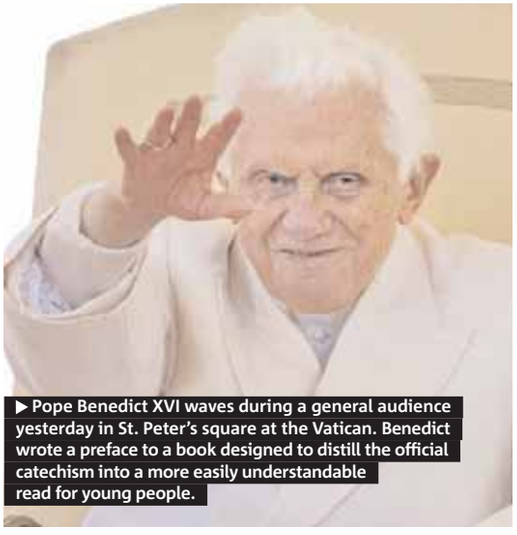

▶ Pope Benedict XVI waves during a general audience yesterday in St. Peter's square at the Vatican. Benedict wrote a preface to a book designed to distill the official catechism into a more easily understandable read for young people.

Youth book implies the Holy See approves of euthanasia, contraception

The Vatican has again been embarrassed by a botched translation of its teachings, with the launch yesterday of an error-plagued book that implies the Holy See approves of contraception and euthanasia.

The errors came to light during a Vatican news conference launching Youcat: Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church, a compilation of the thick volume of core church teachings.

The book is to be given to young people attending this year's World Youth Day in Madrid.

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Botched translation

Monsignor Rino Fisichella, an Italian Vatican head, seemed aghast at the euthanasia terminology.

- Each translation had a high-ranking churchman vouch for its accuracy.
- Youcat was prepared in 17 languages — 30 more translations are planned.
- Pope Benedict XVI wrote a preface to the book and on the back cover is quoted as exhorting: "Study this catechism! This is my heartfelt desire."

Sleepy air traffic controller caught snoozing

An air traffic controller was suspended yesterday in Reno, Nev., after being asleep while a medical flight was landing — the fifth lapse so far this year among controllers at U.S. airports. Four involved sleeping controllers.

In response to the lapses, the Federal Aviation Administration announced it was immediately putting a second controller on the midnight shift at 26 airports and a radar facility around the country that currently have only one overnight person.

The controller at Reno-Tahoe International airport was out of communication for about 16 minutes when the aircraft, carrying at least three people, was landing at about 2 a.m. local time yesterday, the FAA said. No injuries were reported.

The FAA last month put two controllers on duty during the midnight shift at the Reno-Tahoe airport but went back to one controller several days later after implementing new procedures, FAA spokesman Ian Gregor said.

Elsewhere, two jetliners landed at Washington's Reagan National airport last month without tower assistance after the lone air traffic supervisor fell asleep.

Kentucky crash

Five years ago a fatal crash in Kentucky involved a sleeping controller who was working alone.

- Investigators said the controller in Kentucky was likely suffering from fatigue.
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Child escapes sinking minivan

Mother, 3 children drown after van driven into river
Rescuers find victims an hour later in 10 feet of water

A 10-year-old boy escaped through the window of a minivan and swam to shore to get help after his mother drove the van into New York's Hudson River, killing herself and three other children, police said yesterday.

Lashanda Armstrong, 25, drove the minivan into the river off a boat ramp in the city of Newburgh about 8 p.m. Tuesday, shortly after a domestic incident, police said. The van went into the river just six blocks from where the family lived in the faded city about 100 kilometres north of New York City.

Fire Chief Michael Vatter said a passerby saw Lashaun Armstrong emerge from the river, picked up the soaking wet boy and took him to a nearby fire department. Vatter said the boy was so distraught that he had difficulty talking but ultimately told firefighters what happened. Rescuers went immediately to the river but it was too late to save the four victims.

"She was a very good mom. She took care of her kids."

TINA CLAYBOURNE, WHO LIVES NEARBY

In the van with Lashanda Armstrong were Landon Pierre, 5, Lance Pierre, 2, and 11-month-old Lainaina Pierre, police said. Her husband and the father of the three dead children, Jean Pierre, was questioned. Police would not give details of the interview or say if the father had been charged with anything.

Shortly before she drove the van into the river, a relative called police to report a domestic incident at Armstrong's apartment.

Lashanda Armstrong's aunt, Angela Gilliam, who called police, told reporters she spoke to her niece earlier Tuesday and she was "not too good."

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Showing his true Canuck colours

When diehard Canucks fan Jake Lockhart moved back to Kelowna from Calgary — leaving the boos and jeers of Flames fans behind — he decided it was time to finally show his true colours. So he bought some paint and splashed those colours — royal blue and Kelly green — all over his house.

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▶ Egyptian anti-riot policemen stand guard yesterday in front of Sharm El Sheikh hospital where former president Hosni Mubarak, 82, was being treated for heart problems.

Mubarak detained in hospital

Egypt's former president is being investigated for corruption, abuse of power and killing protesters He is under a 15-day detention

Egypt's ousted president Hosni Mubarak was put under detention in his hospital room yesterday for investigation on accusations of corruption, abuse of power and killing of protesters.

The detention is a new landmark in the stunning fall of the 82-year-old Mubarak, who only months ago appeared unquestioned in his control of Egypt after nearly 30 years of rule.

"Trying Mubarak and his regime is very important, but what is super important is the political future of Egypt."
AHMED MAHER, CO-FOUNDER OF PROTEST MOVEMENT "THE APRIL 6 GROUP"

Mubarak's two sons, Gamal and Alaa, were also detained for questioning and taken to Cairo's Torah prison, where a string of former top regime figures — including the former prime minister, ruling party chief and Mubarak's chief of staff — are already languishing, facing investigations on corruption.

The move was brought by enormous public pressure on the ruling military, which was handed power when Mubarak stepped down on Feb. 11. Tens of thousands protested in Cairo's central Tahrir Square on Friday, the biggest rally in weeks, demanding Mubarak and his family be put on trial.

Many in the crowd accused the military of protecting the former president.

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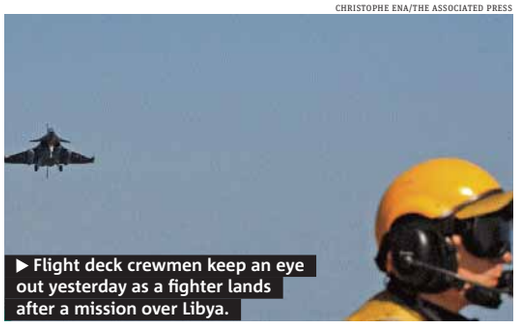

▶ Flight deck crewmen keep an eye out yesterday as a fighter lands after a mission over Libya.

Concealing weapons

French bombers in Libya have trouble detecting Gadhafi's fighter units

As French navy Rafale and Super Etendard fighter-bombers carrying laser-guided bombs catapulted yesterday off the Charles de Gaulle aircraft carrier into a cloudless Mediterranean sky, officers aboard described the difficulties they face. Despite all the modern technology, troops loyal to Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi are harder than ever to identify.

Gadhafi's forces are camouflaging their units to conceal them from detection and attack, officers said.

"There is obviously a degree of savoir-faire ... that we haven't seen before," said the commander of the carrier's air wing.

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Al-Jazeera asks for captured reporters

The Arabic news channel Al-Jazeera is calling on Libyan authorities to release its two reporters.

In a statement yesterday, the network urged Libya to release reporters Ammar al-Hamdan of Norway and Kamel al-Tallou of Britain, who were captured in western Libya in March along with two others, who have been released. The Qatar-based network is "extremely grateful for the support" it has received for the release of its two reporters. However, more efforts are needed to secure their other colleagues' freedom, the statement said.

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100 Reporters Without Borders says about 100 foreign reporters are in Libya to cover the conflict between long-time leader Gadhafi and rebel forces.

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▶ Nicolas Sarkozy and David Cameron

British PM shows strong commitment to rebels

British Prime Minister David Cameron says Britain and France will "leave no stone unturned" as they search for ways to help Libya's rebels topple Moammar Gadhafi.

Cameron made the comments yesterday in Paris where he is to discuss the military operation in Libya with French President Nicolas Sarkozy. Both countries' defence chiefs are also attending.

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News in brief

U.S. jets still striking Libya

The Pentagon is revealing for the first time that U.S. fighter jets have continued to strike Libyan air defences after turning the mission over to NATO.

Pentagon spokesman Col. Dave Lapan said the jets were assigned to NATO and are operating under its command.

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Diplomats behaving badly

Germany says it has expelled five Libyan diplomats for allegedly pressuring Libyan dissidents in the country.

The move comes a day before a meeting of foreign ministers of the NATO alliance, which is leading a campaign against Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi.

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Out of crisis mode, back to school for survivors

- One teacher, 34 students survived from Okawa Elementary School
- Officials say routine is good

The tsunami killed 74 of the 108 students at Okawa Elementary School and all but one of the dozen teachers. The main building is ripped open, with trees jammed into second-floor classrooms, and the gym and playground have been reduced to muddied concrete foundations.

Classes start in a week.

All along Japan's battered northeastern coast, schools have been heavily damaged or converted to shelters, and families are without jobs, permanent homes or cars. But the country is determined to move ahead with one of its rites of spring: The start of the school year in April, even as some parents and children grieve.

At Okawa Elementary, another issue is trust.

Parents are frustrated by the lack of an explanation for its tragedy, when other schools nearby were also heavily damaged but had no deaths.

Officials say establishing routines is a crucial step in rebuilding communities and drawing residents out of crisis mode.

"I'm just not ready to think about school yet. They haven't even found my daughter."

NAOMI HIRATSUKA, WHO LOST HER CHILD KOHARU, A SIXTH-GRADER AT OKAWA ELEMENTARY, AND HAS A YOUNGER CHILD ENTERING FIRST GRADE

The 34 surviving students of Okawa Elementary will begin classes on April 21 in four rooms at a nearby school, staying together and treated as a separate school of their own.

"We don't know yet if the school can be rebuilt, but we want to maintain continuity for the students," said Kato Shigemi, an education committee official in Ishinomaki, a devastated riverside community about 350 kilometres northeast of Tokyo.

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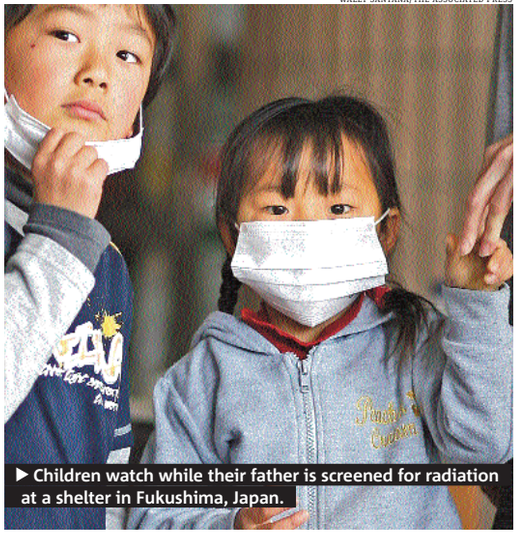

▶ Children watch while their father is screened for radiation at a shelter in Fukushima, Japan.

Ivory Coast president attempts to restore order

Ivory Coast President Alassane Ouattara tried to establish order in the days after the country's strongman, Laurent Gbagbo, was arrested, moving him to a secure location and assuring the public that looting and gunfire will cease and life will soon return to normal.

"Gbagbo is in a residence under surveillance somewhere in Ivory Coast," Ouattara told reporters at the Golf Hotel.

"There will be charges (against Gbagbo) on a national level and an international level."

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Obama sets stage for U.S. deficit debate

U.S. President Barack Obama called for reducing the federal deficit by $4 trillion in the next decade through a package that includes tax reform, further cuts in domestic and defence spending and shoring up federal entitlements, setting the stage for a spirited debate with Republicans.

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Berlusconi turns tricks with tailor-made bills

Recent legislation helps Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi pull a rabbit from a hat ◐ Bills pass despite activists' protests and filibustering by opposition ◐ The much-discussed sex trial involving 'Ruby' begins this month

Italy's lower chamber of parliament approved legislation yesterday that would cut the length of trials in Italy and effectively end an ongoing bribery case against Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi.

The lower Chamber of Deputies approved Bill 314-296, amid protests inside and outside the chamber. The measure now passes to the Senate, where Berlusconi's forces have a solid majority.

The bill is the latest piece of legislation Berlusconi's forces have pushed through parliament that critics say are tailor-made to suit his interests, following on the heels of a partial immunity bill for top Italian officials passed last year.

The bill approved would cut the length of trials for some defendants who haven't been previously convicted.

The measure will effectively end a trial in which Berlusconi is accused of bribing British lawyer David Mills to lie in court in the 1990s to protect the prime minister's interests. Mills was convicted in 2009 of having taken a $600,000 bribe, but the guilty verdict was overturned when Italy's highest criminal court ruled the statute of limitations had expired.

The reform legislation makes it virtually impossible for the court to reach a verdict against Berlusconi before the statute of limitations kicks in.

Berlusconi denies wrongdoing in the Mills case and has defended the reform legislation as necessary to unclog Italy's notoriously slow judicial system.

Aside from Berlusconi's own trial, critics say the justice measure puts at risks several important cases, including a case that follows a deadly train explosion in 2009.

The Mills case is one of four active cases against Berlusconi, including a sensational sex trial that began this month in which he is accused of paying for sex with a minor and using his influence to try to cover it up. Berlusconi has denounced the allegations as laughable and lashed out at prosecutors.

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▶ Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi addresses supporters outside Milan's justice court recently after a legal hearing over allegations of fiscal fraud and breach of trust in his business interests.

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Rower braves Indian Ocean, maybe pirates?

British environmentalist is keeping her rowing route secret to avoid pirates She left Australia yesterday

A British woman who survived fierce storms and a near-drowning on her journeys across the Atlantic and Pacific oceans set off from Australia yesterday for a rowing adventure across the Indian Ocean with a new worry on her mind: pirates.

Roz Savage rowed out of the port city of Fremantle, in Western Australia, to begin a four-month trip in her 23-foot purple rowboat, Sedna, named after the Inuit goddess of the ocean. If she completes the 6,400-kilometre trip, Savage will be the first woman to row across three oceans, according to the Ocean Rowing Society, a London-based group that tracks such feats.

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▶ In this photo, British solo ocean rower Roz Savage smiles in Double Bay in Sydney, Australia.

Despite her years of experience at sea, the 43-year-old environmentalist acknowledged that this trip — which takes her through an area known for pirate attacks — has her on edge.

"It's something that I think about in the wee hours of the night," Savage said.

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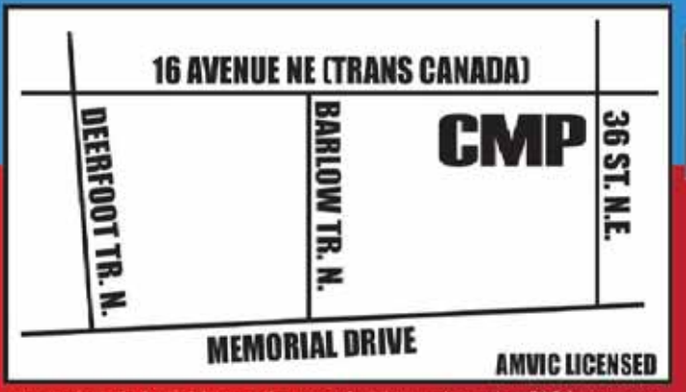

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Soap on the ropes: Cartel fined

Procter & Gamble and Unilever were fined a total of $456 million US yesterday for fixing prices of powdered laundry detergent in eight EU countries. Germany's Henkel AG, another member of the cartel, escaped a fine because it blew the whistle on the others.

U.S.-based Procter & Gamble Co., British-Dutch company Unilever NV and Henkel AG are the leading producers of detergent in Europe. The cartel was started when the companies were in joint talks on how to cut down on packaging, the EU's Competition Commissioner said. They agreed not to reduce prices even though the packages were smaller. The cartel lasted from January 2002 until March 2005.

The detergent case is the third cartel case the commission decided to settle this year. A settlement leads to lower fines but cuts down on investigation costs.

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Market moment

PRICES AS OF 5 P.M. YESTERDAY

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Gold contracts $1,455.60 US (+ $2 US)

Economy shifting to low gear: Carney

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▶ Persons of interest: Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney, right, and senior deputy governor Tiff Macklem make their way to a news conference in Ottawa yesterday.

Expect loonie to stay high for next few years, central bank says

The Canadian economy is entering a period of slow growth under the heavy burden of a strong dollar, Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney warns.

The dollar's impact on trade, particularly exports, is a key reason Carney expects the economy to slow sharply in the next two years after a 4.2 per cent growth spurt in the first quarter of this year. Other factors are a tapped-out consumer and government spending restraint.

The bank says the second quarter will see growth brake to two per cent, in part because of auto-sector disruptions caused by the Japanese earthquake and tsunami.

On an annual basis, the economy is forecast to slow from 2.9 per cent this year to 2.6 per cent next year.

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Rating game

- **Economists had been** pointing to May or July as the most likely dates for an interest-rate hike from the current one per cent.
- **But the latest outlook** suggests the rate could remain low for much longer, especially since raising it too soon could have the undesired effect of lifting the loonie even higher.

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Emails prove 50-50 share: Facebook lawsuit

A New York man who claims he struck a deal with Mark Zuckerberg in 2003 that entitles him to half of Facebook Inc. has produced emails he said he exchanged with the Facebook founder.

In his federal court complaint, Paul Ceglia said the emails show, in part, how Zuckerberg tried to get him to abandon his interest in Facebook by souring their relationship in 2004, while at the same time downplaying the popularity of the site after its launch at Harvard University, where Zuckerberg was a student.

The complaint accuses Zuckerberg of breaching his contract with Ceglia by incorporating the website first known as thefacebook.com without telling him.

Ceglia seeks a 50 per cent share of the company. His amended filing in Buffalo on Monday came on the same day that a federal appeals court in San Francisco left in place a 2008 agreement settling a lawsuit by two former schoolmates of Zuckerberg who claimed he stole their idea to launch Facebook.

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He says ...

JOHN MAZEROLLE

CUE THE BEARDS, IT'S PLAYOFF TIME

Stock up on chicken wings, cut your phone lines and dump your girlfriend; it's time for the NHL playoffs or, as us Boston Bruins fans call it, the most exciting eight days of the year.

I love the playoffs and, like most relationships, the first two weeks are the best. Canada has hope and the post-season is welcomed as the first burst of spring. By the time the finals get underway, it's too hot for hockey, the Canuck clubs have melted away, and, often, a contender from the Deep South has you wondering how long it will be before the Quito Nordiques defeat the Bogota Maple Leafs in the Copa del Stanley.

But, oh, the next few weeks. The playoffs provide the comfort of a tradition with the excitement of unpredictable pandemonium. It's like going home for Christmas and finding a new family every year. And who wouldn't want that?

Because I am one of Canada's top-three most read columnists on this page, the country has been awaiting my Stanley Cup predictions. And here they are:

• One overtime game will go deep into the night — with dozens of saves, goalposts and close calls — ending only when you decide to take a "quick jaunt" to the bathroom.

• Something spectacular will happen whenever TV decides to have a pointless during-play interview with a parent (on Canadian TV) or second-rate celebrity (on U.S. TV). We didn't need to see that Ovechkin goal, NBC. An unshaven Vince Vaughn in a ball cap is awesome, too.

• Even if the final series is between Nashville and Tampa Bay and involves not a single Toronto connection, media will be abuzz with what it means for the Leafs. ("Lost in all the hubbub over the Stanley Cup championships, is that Mikhail Grabovski and the winning coach wear a similar brand of sock.")

• Don Cherry will applaud the military, laud Canada, and warn players not to showboat, dive, hit from behind, back down from a fight, or get your stick in the way of a shot. Rumour has it he may also wear something delightfully offbeat.

And those are my predictions. You don't even need to watch anymore.

And though I have mocked Don Cherry, you should still remember the words of a certain strangely dressed and plain-speaking Canadian icon when I say: Keep your stick on the ice.

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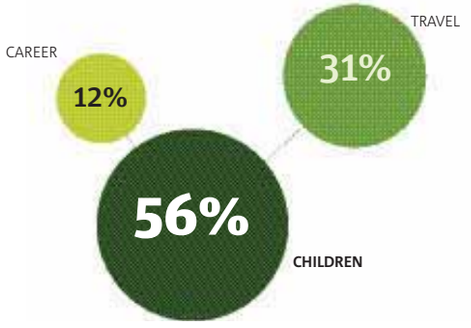

Local tweets

- **@opiated-sherpa:** Looks like some ugly clouds are already rolling into the #yyc area ... tonight's ball practice may be shorter than originally planned.
- **@beyondhomesca:** Just walked into the city to apply for another permit. Long lineups = more construction. Might be signs of a great market this summer #yyc
- **@AaronMcFly:** mid april and im still rockin my winter jacket in Calgary. #fml #yyc
- **@mikesbloggity:** Peter Mansbridge gives me hope for the cul-de-sac look.
- **@ImaRoundtuit:** Not really looking forward to travelling to #YYC Calgary on Friday with all this winter conditions hitting us — yet again. *slam head on desk
- **@JoshODBrown:** Dear Winter, please unsubscribe me from your mailing list. #yyc
- **@that_angela:** I read your Tweets and how you confuse 'loose' and 'lose' or 'its' and 'it's' and so on ... and I wonder how people got out of high school.
- **@Stelnicki:** Only in #yyc can we go from flippy floppys to snowfall warnings in less than 24 hours ...

Worth mentioning

TORONTO. Alcohol helps the subconscious learn, a new study reveals. But what the back of your brain is learning is that alcohol addiction can make you feel good.

Neurobiologist Hitoshi Morikawa's findings contradict the idea that drinking wrecks your memory. It does, he said, for things like "your colleague's name or where you parked your car this morning."

But his work, published in The Journal of Neuroscience, also found "alcohol may actually increase our capacity to learn" at the subconscious level, helping to explain why alcoholics keep drinking when everything seems to tell them it's bad for them.

Scientists have long known that alcohol releases dopamine, the pleasure transmitter, in the brain. What is important in his new research, says Morikawa, is the finding that alcoholics aren't addicted to the pleasure or release drinking gives them. They're addicted to the subconscious memories of music, intense experience and sociability that alcohol has etched on a part of their brain.

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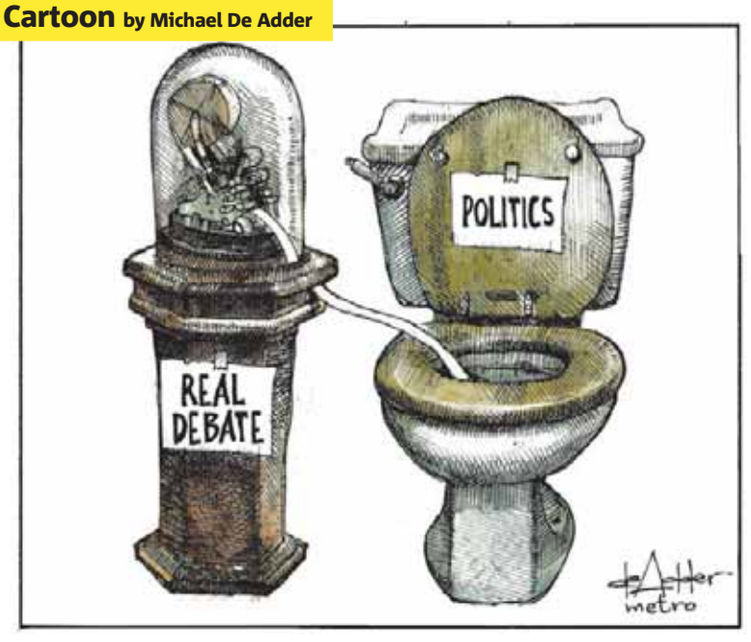

WEIRD NEWS

Something to sign his cheques with

Some say the pen is mightier than the sword. If true, Czech President Vaclav Klaus will soon be a very mighty man. More than 5,000 Czechs have signed up to a Facebook campaign to mail pens to the president after a video of him sheepishly pocketing a pen he took an obvious liking to during an official signing ceremony last week in Chile became widely popular on the Internet.

Klaus said it's customary for leaders to keep pens after signing accords. But the manner in which he sized up the pen — encrusted with semiprecious Chilean stones — and then sneakily slipped it into his pocket while he sat at a desk alongside Chilean President Sebastian Pinera has seen him ridiculed by some of his countrymen.

"It seemed to me absolutely inappropriate to do anything like that during an official ceremony," said Vojtech Palous, a 23-year-old student.

Campaign participants are being asked to send to the presidential office pens, pencils or other writing means on May 2 because "Mr. President obviously has nothing to write with." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Desman performs at Motionball

Event has some first-class musical entertainment, a great tasting menu and a Calvin Klein underwear fashion show. What more could you want?

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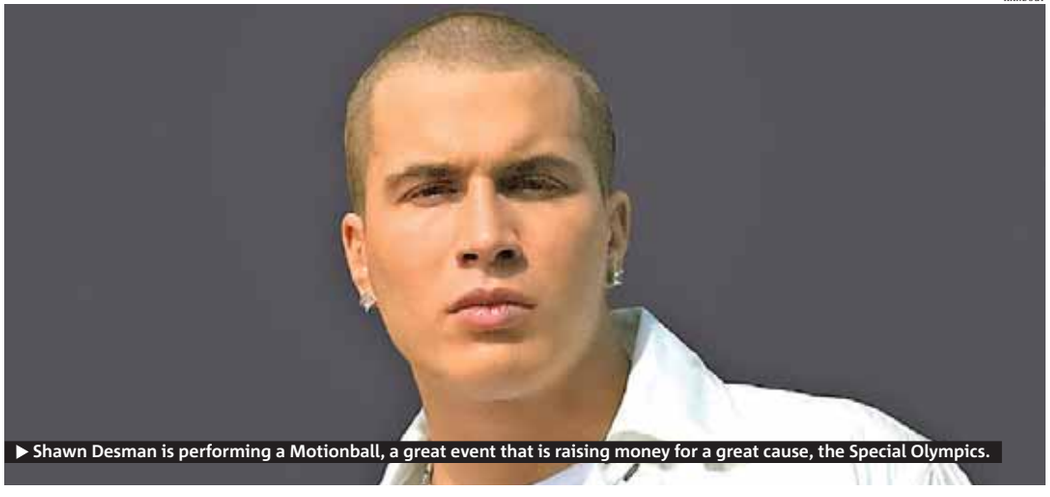

▶ Shawn Desman is performing a Motionball, a great event that is raising money for a great cause, the Special Olympics.

BACKSTAGE PASS

JENNIFER LARAWAY
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Motionball is the see-and-be-seen event on the social calendar this year and it's definitely going to raise some eyebrows. They were on the scene last year and had a VIP list that spanned the province. Looking to outdo themselves by nearly doubling their fundraising goal, motionball Calgary organizer Paul Horton is pulling out all the stops.

"We are bringing Shawn Desman in to perform," he says. Of course my immediate question is if the singer will be strutting his stuff in the Calvin Klein underwear fashion show. He's pretty tight lipped about it and then distracts me with a shiny object.

He did say, however that this red carpet affair is going to be unlike anything Calgary has ever seen. He's not just talking about all first-class entertainment, the commanding historic venue, or the taste bud tingling menu.

Granted, that's enough incentive to snap up a ticket, but Horton is speaking to the inspirational athletes that will be interacting with the crowd that evening. Just as he's about to give me the details, the doors crack open, sunlight blocks our view and two people slowly slide into the room.

It's Jennifer and her mom. Jennifer is a Special Olympic Athlete who has a resumé and list of accomplishments longer than most people I know. She's not the first to tell you that though. Her mom quietly beaming with pride gives it away, but Jennifer soon opens up about her experiences and the impact motionball has had on her ambitions.

It was then that I was sold on this being one of the most important events in Calgary. If you want to get on board with supporting a Special Olympic Athlete while being entertained by a chart topping artist and beautiful people parading around in their designer underwear, then head down to The Bank (125 – 8th Avenue SW) tonight. Tickets are available online for $100. For all the details, motionball.com/calgarygala.

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She is one of Calgary's hottest entrepreneurs and I'm not just talking about this girl's to-die-for silhouette or style. She runs a handful of businesses, with the latest venture being Ruby Woo Inc. To celebrate their launch, you can win your dream dress. Get your friends to 'like' your dress on the Facebook Ruby Woo Fan page by midnight on April 30. The one with the most likes wins their dress for free. For more information go to rubywoo.ca.

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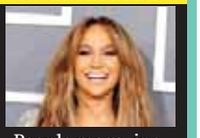
Scene in brief



People magazine named Jennifer Lopez the World's Most Beautiful Woman. The singer, actress and American Idol judge tops the annual list of the World's Most Beautiful. Lopez is joined on this honour roll by such lovelies as Halle Berry, Jennifer Garner and Beyoncé Knowles.

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Bickering Braxtons

Whether the cameras are on or off, Toni and her sisters are real

If you think all the infighting the Braxtons do on their new series is for the benefit of the cameras, think again — it's definitely the real part of this reality show.

The sisters proved as much after the cameras stopped rolling on the first season and they promoted the new WEtv show, Braxton Family Values, with a visit to The Associated Press.

As the five sisters — Toni, Traci, Towanda, Trina and Tamar — sat tightly together in a TV studio, getting touch-ups on their hair and make-up, there was obvious tension.

Once the interview began, one-word or short answers were given.

Shortly afterward, their publicist knocked on the door.

"I just want to talk to them. Can we stop for a minute?" she asked.

As the women went into another room, arguing was heard. But when they returned minutes later, they were all cheery — ready to promote their new show.

When Toni re-answered why she decided to do the show, she said it was part of her "becoming 2011." She then checked in on her sisters for approval.

"How am I doing ladies?" she asked. In unison they replied: "You're doing good."

The mother of two boys — her youngest is autistic — opened her doors to the world in 2003 for the VH1 reality special, VH1 (Inside) Out: Toni Braxton — Family Comes First. Still, she says she was hesitant to let cameras back in her life on a larger scale.

"I reneged a few times after I said, 'Yes, we can do the show,'" she said. "But over time my sisters said, '...You have to become current. ... (Fans) want to feel like they're sitting in your living room and it's important that you convey that to your fans.'"

Braxton Family Values airs Tuesdays.

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▶ The Braxton sisters, Toni, foreground center, and from left, Traci, Towanda, Trina and Tamar, of the WeTV reality series, Braxton Family Values, pose for a portrait in New York.

TV watch list

Carell, Ferrell re-united on The Office

TV SHOW. The parade of high-profile guest stars visiting The Office continues tonight with Will Ferrell starting a four-episode story arc.

We already know Ferrell and Office star Steve Carell have great comic chemistry thanks to the 2006 film Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy, so here's hoping for lots of goofy interaction.

Ferrell plays the Scranton branch's new manager, Deangelo Vickers, and everyone is angling to make a good first impression.

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Real women of the mob

New show looks at what it's really like to live in a crime family

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▶ From left, Mob Wives Renee Graziano, Karen Gravano, Drita D'avanzo and Carla Facciolo.

Meet four women with family problems.

• Renee Graziano's dad is Anthony Graziano, who is a high-ranking member of the mob, Feds say, and is currently serving time for racketeering. Her ex-husband has also had a scrape with the law on a gambling charge.

• Drita D'avanzo is the wife of Lee D'avanzo, the alleged leader of a Bonanno and Colombo crime family team who has been incarcerated for bank robbery — twice — spanning most of their married life.

• Carla Facciolo's father went to prison when she was a girl. Now her husband, a former broker, is behind bars for stock fraud. She tells her twin girls that daddy's away working.

• Most notable of all, Karen Gravano is the daughter of Sammy "The Bull" Gravano, the notorious mob turncoat who cooperated with the government to help take down John Gotti and the Gambino crime family. He, too, is currently in jail.

Not surprisingly, all four women have crossed paths through the years and,
in certain cases, been lifelong pals. All are single mothers.

Now they're bonding at their Staten Island, N.Y., stomping ground for a new reality show, Mob Wives, a sort of Growing Up Gotti multiplied by four. It premiers this week on VH1 in the U.S. Keeping it all in the family, the show's creator and executive producer is Jennifer Graziano, Renee's sister.

"We are all similar women who come from a similar world and the same life situations," says Karen, who, for a future episode, was hosting a kaffeeklatsch recently in her living room that overlooks New York harbour. "I think our parents tried to keep us out of it, but it's the only world you know," she says, "and in Staten Island, everybody looks up to gangsters and street guys like they're celebrities in Hollywood."

But Karen has learned there's a downside to the underworld. That's part of her reason for being in "Mob Wives." She is also writing a book about Growing Up Gravano.

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Let the Olympic games begin

The satire on U.K. series 2012 may be too close to reality — especially for Olympic organizers

The broken clock had perfect timing.

Twenty Twelve, a satirical BBC sitcom about the London Olympics, kicked off last month with an episode that saw organizers unveil a baffling backwards-running clock counting down to the start of the Games.

Life soon imitated art.

A real clock installed in London's Trafalgar Square — hours before the show's launch — to tick down the 500 days to the opening ceremony stopped dead the very next day. It was several hours before engineers got it going again.

It was priceless free publicity for the BBC's Twenty Twelve, which has become must-watch television for those involved with organizing the Games — and anyone who has ever wondered whether London's creaky infrastructure can cope with an Olympic-sized challenge.

"It was delicious," the show's writer and director, John Morton, said of the timing. "Like so many things in broadcasting, it was a complete accident."

Each week on the show is an exercise in Murphy's Law: An athlete hired to help whip up excitement about the Games turns out to be phenomenally boring. London's traffic chaos plays havoc with plans to give Brazilian delegates a tour of the Olympic site. Roman remains are found under the diving pool — an echo of a real-life incident.

Each indignity is endured by a team of well-meaning but befuddled managers and a perky "Head of Brand" (Jessica Hynes), who spouts a torrent of PR bafflegab: "Here's where we ramp up the public interest and take it to the next level ... go viral and launch 2012 2.0."

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In the mock-documentary format pioneered by comedies like The Office, the show goes behind the scenes at the fictional Olympic Deliverance Commission, run by long-suffering "Head of Deliverance" Ian Fletcher (Hugh Bonneville, recently seen as aristocratic Lord Grantham in costume drama Downton Abbey).

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▶ The well-meaning team on 2012

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The yin and yang fashion aesthetic of Lemonade Mouth's young starlets is about to get tweens talking

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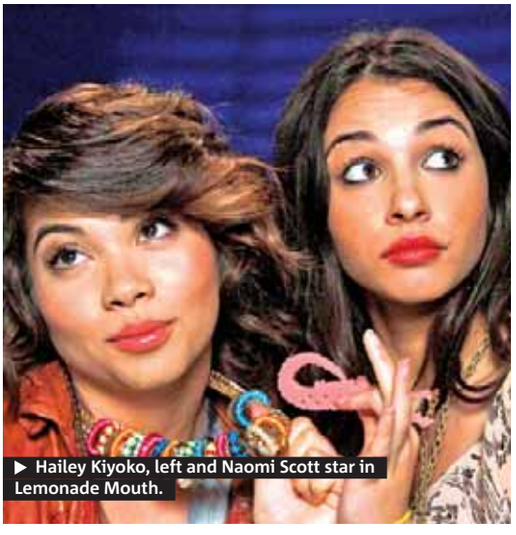

▶ Hailey Kiyoko, left and Naomi Scott star in Lemonade Mouth.

Hayley Kiyoko and Naomi Scott are the next generation of Disney Channel starlets, and these BFFs are getting a crash course in signing autographs, security guards and singing on live TV.

Makeup artists colour their lips while others are doing their hair, and stylists have rolled racks into a Manhattan hotel from which they can choose their wardrobe.

They've hit the media circuit this week and have a premiere to attend before Friday's debut of the TV movie Lemonade Mouth, about kids forming a band.

But if this whole experience has been "just weird, just crazy" — Scott's words — dressing the part hasn't been.

Kiyoko, 20, seems poised to become a fashion force, gravitating toward funky styles, wearing a leather cowboy shirt and shorts with tights. She even pulls off the leather fanny pack that she feels fairly passionate about.

("I love the fanny pack because I hate bringing those Mary Poppins big bags everywhere," she says. "I can wear this and keep my stuff safe and I can always reach my phone and lip gloss.")

Her taste is "left of centre," and while she enjoys very much the self-expression that comes with fashion, the shopping part is mediocre, she says. The maximum time limit at the mall for this Los Angeles-area native is 90 minutes.

Scott would rather be shopping for candy and other sweets, although she likes the occasional spin through a Zara or an AllSaints shop.

Fashion isn't really her thing, she says, although she's quickly realizing that paying attention to her clothes, and her beauty and grooming routines are all part of her job.

Looking good exudes a confidence that she hopes her new tween fans will learn, she says, but she wants the emphasis to be on a good, healthy outlook, not on perfection.

Scott has the unfussy, effortless look that so many strive for. As a Londoner, the 17-year-old says she has well-developed preferences for darker colours and subtle shapes, but she doesn't mind something quirky, either.

On this day, she's wearing a grey-print, tank-strap tunic top and chunky flat boots — and an oversized pink alligator pendant.

She doesn't know the designer of the red-and-champagne-coloured dress she has picked for the premiere.

One of her most prized fashion possessions are an old pair of lace-up, Victorian-style boots that her aunt gave her.

Even though Kiyoko is more daring in her style choices, Scott says she likes that her friend always roots things in purpose rather than trend.

Back to the fanny pack: "What makes it cooler about Hayley wearing it is that she's choosing it because it's practical.

She doesn't want to look like she's trying," Scott says.

Kiyoko is happy, however, to wear the label of "unexpected."

"People don't know me yet, so it's harder to do 'unexpected,' but that's what I want. I want to be a little edgy," Kiyoko says.

She recalls spending her first paycheque — for an OnStar TV commercial when she was in the seventh grade — on all-over gold sneakers by Gwen Stefani's LAMB brand.

She fancies that as she grows her career, she'd like to do it all like Stefani: music, modelling and her own fashion brand.

"If there's one person I think she's going to be like, it's Gwen Stefani," cheers Scott. "She's got the whole package."

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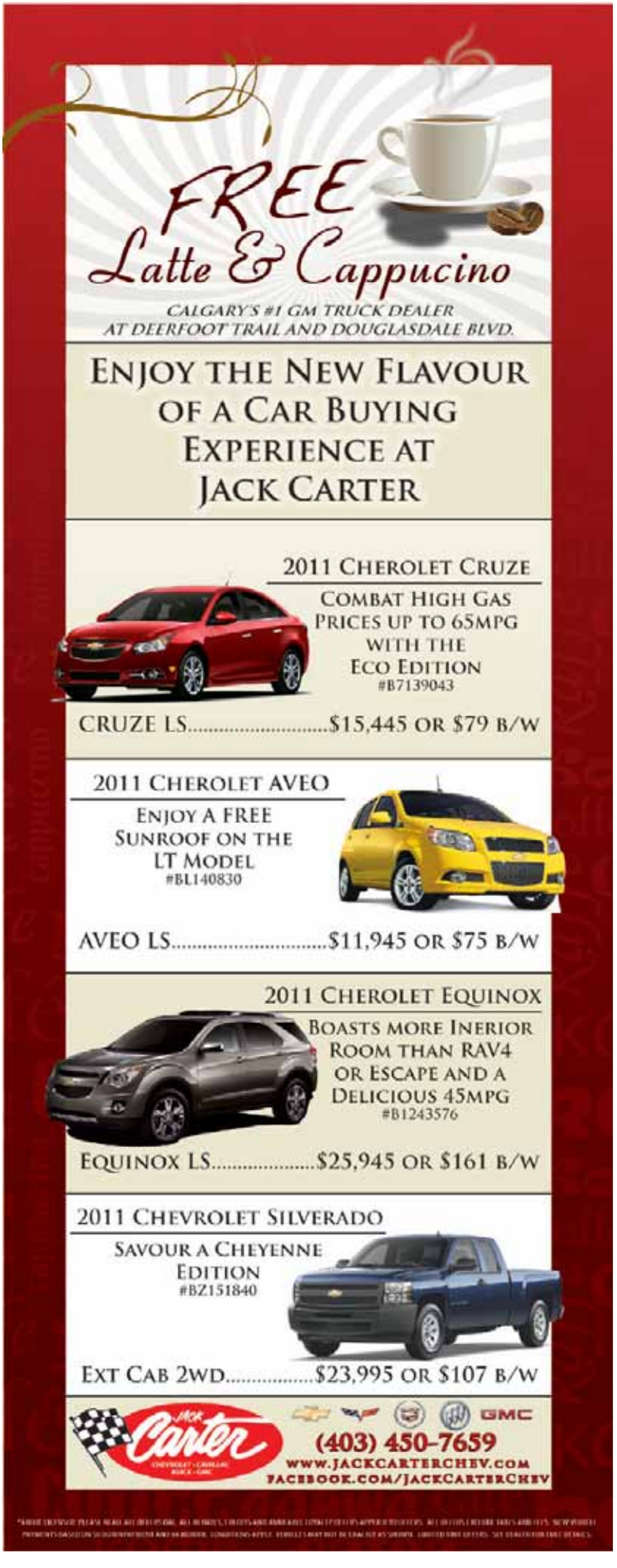
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▶ Michael Caine stared in the 1984 comedy Blame It On Rio, just one of several films to use Rio de Janeiro as its setting.

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HOLLYWOOD LOVES GOING ON A TRIP TO RIO DE JANEIRO

Tourists flock to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil's second largest city, to see the giant statue of Christ the Redeemer, dance the samba and cheer their favourite team at Maracanã Stadium, one of the world's largest football arenas.

The city has also provided the backdrop for many movies, including this weekend's animated feature Rio, the story of a domesticated macaw (voiced by The Social Network's Jesse Eisenberg) from small-town Minnesota who follows the bird of his dreams to the carnival city.

Rio has been a go-to location for filmmakers for years. To paraphrase '70s soft rockers Pablo Cruise, "Whoa oh ohh … When my baby's budget permits, We go to Rio. De Janeiro." In The Producers, the crooked wannabe embezzlers plan to fly to Rio once they have bilked Broadway out of a million bucks. The city served as the background to Mickey Rourke's erotic adventures in Wild Orchid and James Bond was famously attacked by the metal mandibled Jaws on a cable car at the top of Sugarloaf Mountain in Moonraker.

Although shot completely on location at Paramount Studios on Melrose Avenue in Los Angeles, Road to Rio, the fifth of the Bob Hope-Bing Crosby "road" pictures, makes good use of stock footage and set decoration to create a suitably exotic setting.

This time out the guys are vaudevillian stow aways on a Brazilian-bound ocean liner who rescue heiress Dorothy Lamour from an unwanted arranged marriage.

The movie is notable for the music (it contains the last on-screen singing performance by The Andrews Sisters) and Der Bingle's English lessons to the Portuguese street performers. To help them pass as American he teaches them the hipster phrase, "You're in the groove, Jackson."

A grittier look at the Brazilian city is offered in City of God (original title: Cidade de Deus), named after one of the city's most dangerous neighbourhoods. Following the stories of two boys — one who becomes a photographer, another who adopts a life of crime — it was shot on location in the violent favela or slum. Director Fernando Meirelles later said if he knew the dangers of filming the movie in the Rio favela in advance he wouldn't have made the movie.

Finally a sunnier look at Rio life comes in Blame It On Rio, a 1984 Michael Caine film Roger Ebert described as having "the mind of a 1940s bongo comedy and the heart of a porno film."

Bieber frustrated by Israeli media

Aggressive papparazzi and politics plaguing his visit to the holy land

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▶ Justin Bieber

Justin Bieber's trip to Israel is off to a rocky start — tentative plans to meet the prime minister have fallen through under contentious circumstances, and the teen heartthrob says he has holed himself up in his hotel to escape the country's notoriously aggressive paparazzi.

Bieber, adored by young fans worldwide for hits like Baby, arrived in Israel on Monday and was planning to spend the week sightseeing ahead of an outdoor concert in Tel Aviv on Thursday.

The 17-year-old artist has set off a wave of excitement, with young females camped outside his hotel and photographers aggressively following him at every stop.

Even Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu appears to have been caught up in the hype. Officials in his office said the Israeli leader had hoped to meet the singer, but hinted that politics had scuttled the visit.

A spokesman for Netanyahu said Bieber's representatives had initiated the meeting.

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Gaga disses plastic surgery

Despite her outlandish costumes and hairstyles, Lady Gaga isn't planning any permanent changes to her appearance.

"I have never had plastic surgery, and there are many pop singers who have," the singer tells Harper's Bazaar. "I think that promoting insecurity in the form of plastic surgery is infinitely more harmful than an artistic expression related to body modification. How many models and actresses do you see on magazine covers who have brand-new faces and have had plastic surgery?"

She also acknowledges that some might take her new habit of affixing pointed horns to her cheeks and shoulders the wrong way.

"Trust me, I know that. I think a lot of people love to convolute what everyone else does in order to disempower women. But my fans know me," she says.

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▶ Lady Gaga

Talking points

Brand wants to have his own kids

PEOPLE While Katy Perry might not be quite ready for kids, Russell Brand is more than eager, according to Hollyscoop.

"I love children. I am very much looking forward to becoming a dad. Who knows when? Soon I hope," he says.

But if he and Perry do start a family, it might mean heading back to England.

"I secretly want to do that," he says. "I have a fear of hearing my American children speak to me in American accents."

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Cowell closing in on billionaire status

PEOPLE It's no surprise that Simon Cowell brings in a decent salary — if $208,000 a day is considered decent. In just a nine-month span in 2009, Cowell earned $52.8 million thanks to American Idol, America's Got Talent and the X Factor, among other ventures, according to Hollyscoop. And within the next six years, Cowell could even hit billionaire status, since he now owns all of his musical and television assets, including the U.K. and U.S. versions of the X Factor.

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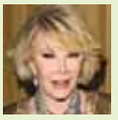
Celebrity tweets



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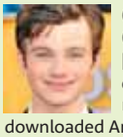

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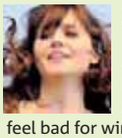

Zooey Deschanel [@therealzooeyd] I feel bad for wimps who can't drink coffee at night. sorry, wimps, coffee tastes just as good at night.

Steve Martin [@SteveMartinToGo] Working on new stand-up act with just swearing, no jokes. Feels right.

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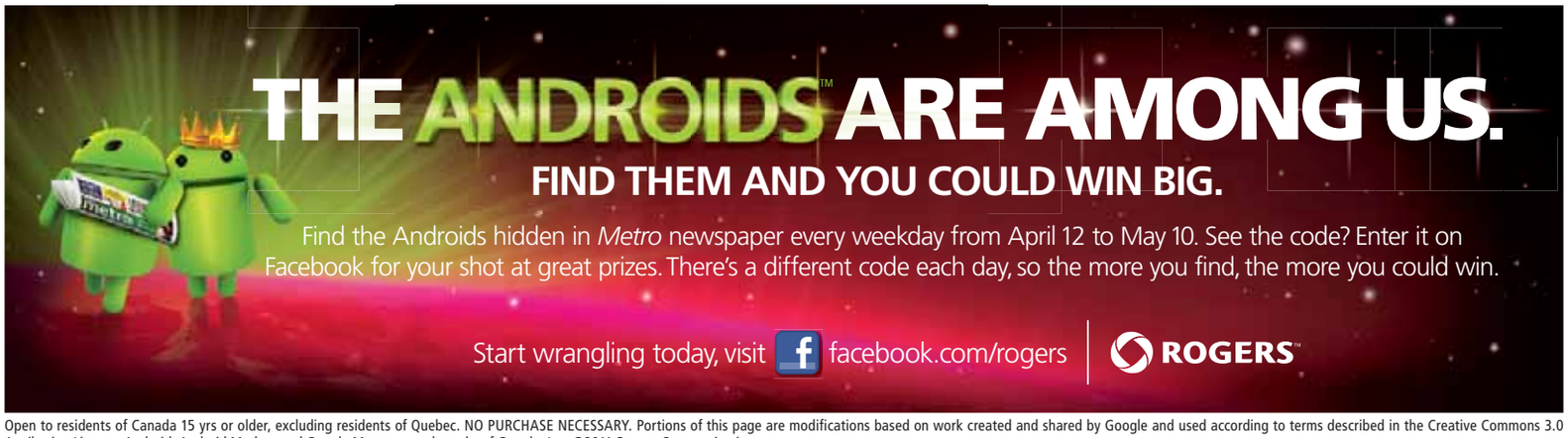
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Maxi skirts for every budget

- Skirts are dramatically long and easy breezy for spring
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After years of gut-sucking cigarette jeans and trousers, the maxi skirt phenomenon that has taken over spring feels like a liberating revolution. You can look chic and stunning without worrying about how many carbs you ate the day before. It's a win-win. KENYA HUNT

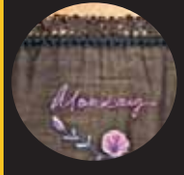
Trend of the week

Brit Williamson is ready to share his bohemian look with mainstream America.

Style pick

Days of the week underwear

With the music video disaster Friday becoming a bona fide YouTube hit, it's become clear that some people may not know that Sunday comes after Saturday. Never forget which day it is again with Stella McCartney's Knickers of the Week.



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Kate's perfect pair?

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Kate Middleton is allegedly planning on wearing ballet flats on her wedding day. In fact, rumour has it Kate may wear four or five different pairs of shoes throughout the celebration.

We probably won't know many details until April 29th, but London designer Aruna Seth received an official letter from Buckingham Palace informing her that her designs were being considered.

Any bride —princess or not — would be overjoyed to walk down the aisle in these bejewelled nude patent leather flats. Powder, a bridal boutique in Woodbridge, Ontario, is the exclusive Canadian retailer for Aruna Seth shoes.

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Model-ready your hair

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The Kit models are busy women, and have a lot to say when it comes to keeping their hair in top shape. Here are some of their tips:

- Air-dry your hair as much as possible before blow-drying to limit the amount of heat you're blasting at it.
- Always use styling products that help hair stand up to the rigours of the curling or flat iron.
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A critter on your clothes

Not all critters are created equal: Dogs and waterfowl are popular, but cats barely make it onto the radar — at least when it comes to creatures featured on the preppy clothes and accessories that seem synonymous with spring.

You also can't go wrong with a whale or crab; girls love their ponies and butterflies; and boys have a thing for sharks.

This is the season animal friends come out of hibernation and land on belts, bags, polos, chinos, bathing suits, flip-flops and anything else in your closet where an embroidered turtle or fish can be placed.

Other motifs work, too, especially easily shrunken flags, sailboats and palm trees, according to Shep and Ian Murray, the brothers who founded the Vineyard Vines brand that even makes fishbone-decorated collars for dogs.

The best critter candidates are things that have a defined silhouette, explains Jim Hauptman, director of design for L.L. Bean.

A sea horse, for example, isn't an animal with a huge passionate following, but it does really well as an embroidery because it's instantly recognizable from its shape and it can be done in many colour combinations. Whales work for the same reason.

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Get ready for home renos

Come spring, winter-weary Canadians tend to focus their thoughts on outdoor projects in anticipation of those hot days of summer Here are four popular home renovation projects

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All decked out

Decking is the No. 1 home renovation project of choice, says Liz Martin, a project guide with Rona, which offers customers free in-store deck designs, from basic to sophisticated, in an assortment of materials.

"Spring is about extending your living space," says Martin. "You're opening your doors and making the outside inviting."

A basic pressure-treated 10-by-10-foot deck will cost around $1,000 for the do-it-yourselfer; a 20-by-20-foot deck would run $2,800.

A decking material homeowners should consider, says Martin, is interlocking stone, which is maintenance free, has a longer lifespan than wood and generally offers more privacy as stone platforms are typically built lower to the ground.

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Curb appeal

Now's also the time to think curb appeal. Consider an asphalt driveway to neaten up your existing gravel or dirt driveway.

The beauty of asphalt is that it's far more flexible than concrete so it's less likely to crack. It's also cheaper than concrete and sets faster.

Asphalt driveways are not likely a do-it-yourself job. Be careful when looking for a paving contractor, as the profession doesn't have the best reputation. Try looking for contractors at handycanadian.com, a website that helps consumers connect with reputable contractors.

The cost of a new asphalt drive will cost from about $2 to $3.50 per square foot, says Kevin Guidolin of Upper Canada Asphalt.

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Landscape to perfection

Major landscaping is not a job for the faint of heart. Not only do you need time and patience, but if you're doing it all at once, it can be costly.

There are ways to break up the expense. A step-by-step approach, whether professionally installed or planted by hand, helps spread out the cost, according to Home Depot.

Before planting anything, you'll need to install your drainage and consider irrigation.

Map out your paths and patios. Think about vertical focal points such as trees, gazebos or pergolas.

With these in place, you're ready to fill in your landscape canvas with beds, shrubs and other plant materials over time.

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About the garage

Extending your indoor living space into the garage is a good idea if you're short on funds or can't stomach the disruption of a major addition.

The first thing you need to do is check with your local building inspector to ensure the coast is clear for the conversion.

Many garages already have existing plumbing and electricity in place so that's not as expensive as installing from scratch.

This is probably the most cost-effective means to add a few hundred square feet to your living space.

When a tree falls, protect your home and wallet

When a tree came down on the roof of Peter R. Rosenblatt's Washington, D.C., home during a snowstorm this winter, he knew the drill. He'd been through the same thing a few months earlier.

"We called in the insurance company and the roofer and the arborist," he said.

Last year, severe storms caused more than $12 million in U.S. property damage. Although there are no specific statistics on how much of that was caused by falling trees, they are a frequent source of damage to homes and power lines.

Old and diseased trees are vulnerable to high winds and flooding, but even the healthiest trees can come crashing down.

When that happens, says Eric Liskey, deputy garden editor for Better Homes and Gardens, "it sounds like guns going off the way the wood cracks."

"In an emergency situation, you don't have time to search contractor licences."
BRYAN NOWICKI, OWNER, SELECT RESTORATION

The first thing to do is to make sure everyone is OK. "If you feel unsafe, you pretty much need to just leave the property," Liskey said.

If wires are down, call the police and the power company. Then call the insurance company.

Take pictures or video of the damage, if you can.

"You and 500 people are trying to get help," Liskey said. "The officials involved get to it as quickly as they can. There isn't a whole lot to do other than wait it out."

When a tree comes down in a storm and hits a house, garage, deck or fence, the damage is probably covered under a homeowners' policy, less the deductible.

"This is where, when something goes wrong, I want my insurance to work for me," said Mary Ann Cook, who designs course materials for the Institutes, which provides professional development for the risk-management and property-casualty insurance industry. The insurer can help you find contractors who will quickly cover the roof to prevent further water damage or board up any broken windows. "Remediation services can get out there pronto," Cook said.

"In an emergency situation, you don't have time to search contractor licences or Better Business Bureau reports," said Bryan Nowicki, owner of Select Restoration. "It's the luck of the draw. There are a lot of scam artists who come out when a storm happens."

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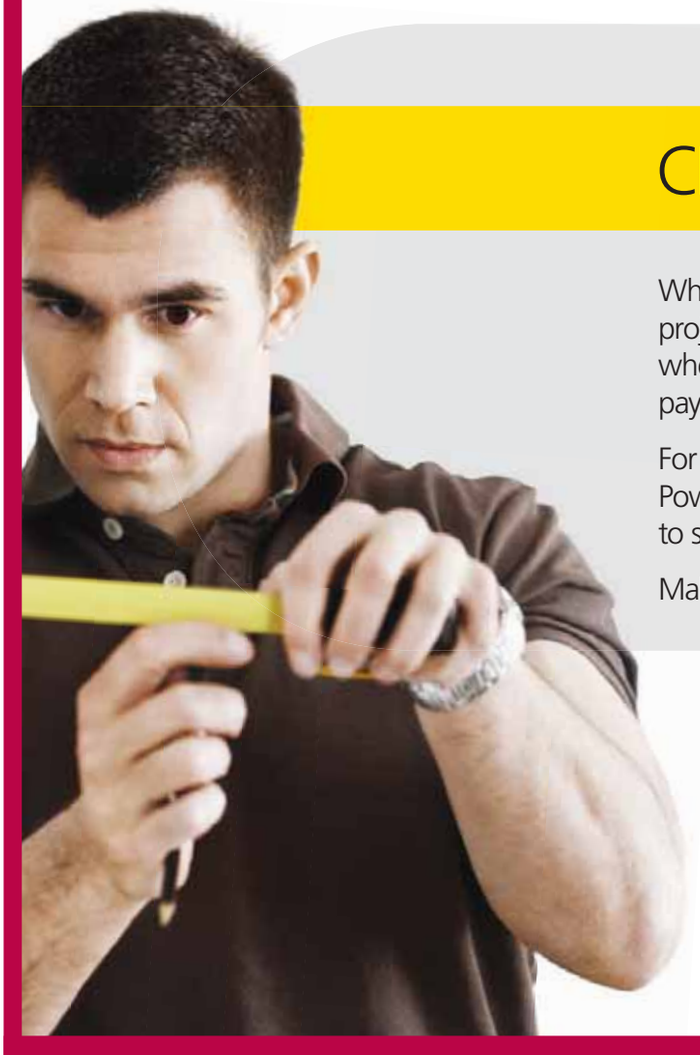

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The fine art of pruning

Clematis is one of the earliest vines to green up in the spring But there's confusion about whether this woody plant should be pruned

There's a lot to like about clematis, one of the earliest vines to green up in the spring. It's easy to grow, blooms in profusion and is hardy, with some varieties lasting more than 50 years.

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Yet there remains a great deal of confusion about when — or even if — these plants should be pruned.

"If you have vines that grow 20 feet a year, they likely will be blooming in your neighbour's yard and not your own," said Linda Beutler, curator of the Rogerson Clematis Collection at West Lynn, Ore., and author of Gardening with Clematis. "The reason for pruning is to keep them under control."

The tops get bulky and the bottoms appear bare if you don't prune clematis plants every two or three years, Beutler said.

There are more than 250 clematis species and even more hybrids.

People new to gardening often are intimidated by pruning, but the clematis groupings are pretty straightforward, said Sandy Feather, a commercial horticulture specialist with Penn State Cooperative Extension in Pittsburgh.

"If you know which cultivar you have, (then) a lot of charts on the Internet can help show you when you should be pruning," Feather said.

With clematis, you ignore pruning at your peril, said Dennis Patton, a horticulture agent with Kansas State University Research and Extension at Olathe. "Left untended, they will grow into a tangled mass of vines mixed with new growth. They will be unruly looking. Difficult to manage," he said.

Pruning the tops of the plants brings blooms back down to eye level, Patton said. "If in doubt, don't prune before flowering."

There are many ways to kill clematis, but pruning isn't one of them, Beutler said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Clematis

- **Group A:** Vigorous spring-blooming varieties, including Alpina, Armandii and Montana varieties. They should be pruned as soon as they finish blooming.
- **Group B:** Large flowered hybrids, such as Nelly Moser, Miss Bateman and Henryi. Prune the tops lightly in February or March. They can be given a second cutting immediately after flowering.
- **Group C:** Late bloomers, including the iconic Jackmani, the Perle d'Azur and Duchess of Albany. They should be pruned in late winter or early spring.

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▶ Clematis flower more profusely after being pruned.

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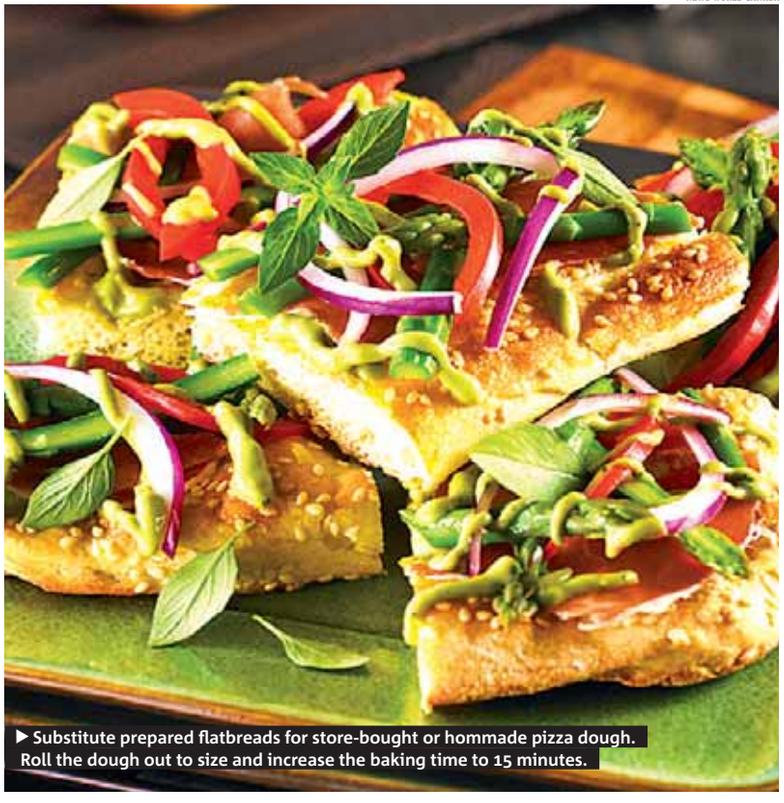

Substitute prepared flatbreads for store-bought or hommade pizza dough. Roll the dough out to size and increase the baking time to 15 minutes.

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This Asparagus Flatbread with Avocado Cream is sure to be a crowd pleaser, providing a fusion of pizza and salad.

With vibrant spring colours and bright flavours, it makes a terrific brunch. You can also cut the flatbreads into small squares for an appetizer.

Ingredients:

- 1 ripe avocado
- 1/3 cup (75 mL) milk (approx.)
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) fresh basil leaves
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) lemon juice
- 1/4 tsp (1 mL) each salt and pepper
- Pinch crushed hot pepper flakes
- 16 asparagus spears, trimmed
- Half small red pepper, very thinly sliced
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) very thinly sliced red onion
- 3 thin slices prosciutto, torn into pieces
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 prepared plain flatbreads or focaccia, about 12 x 7–inch (30cm x 18cm)

Preparation:

1. In food processor, purée avocado with milk, basil, lemon juice, salt, pepper and pepper flakes until smooth. (Add extra milk as needed to achieve a mixture that is easy to drizzle.)
2. Bring large pot of salted water to boil. Add asparagus; after 1 minute add red pepper and cook for 2 minutes longer. Transfer asparagus and red pepper to an ice water bath; drain and dry well. Cut asparagus in half, lengthwise.
3. Blend oil with garlic and brush over flatbreads; bake in 425 F (220 C) oven for 8 to 10 minutes or until crisp and golden; transfer to a cutting board. Drizzle half of avocado mix over breads. Garnish with asparagus, red pepper, onion and prosciutto; drizzle with additional sauce.

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4 sports

Fleury stands tall in Pittsburgh

Alex Kovalev and Arron Asham scored third-period goals 18 seconds apart and Marc-Andre Fleury stopped 32 shots to lead the Pittsburgh Penguins to a 3-0 victory over the Tampa Bay Lightning in the first-round playoff opener in Pittsburgh last night.

Chris Kunitz sealed the win with an empty-net goal in the final minute. Brooks Orpik, who had two assists, set the tone with a heavy and clean check on Lightning star Steven Stamkos to start the game.

Fleury made spectacular saves and shut down the Lightning's high-powered offence. He earned his fifth playoff shutout, one short of tying Tom Barrasso's franchise record. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

3	0
PENGUINS	LIGHTNING

GENE PUSKAR/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

▶ Penguins goalie Marc-Andre Fleury blocks a shot by Tampa Bay's Teddy Purcell last night.

Wings get hot in playoff opener

Phoenix's Ilya Bryzgalov allows three goals on 17 shots in second

Pavel Datsyuk and Johan Franzen scored midway through the second period to put the Detroit Red Wings ahead, and they went on to beat the Phoenix Coyotes 4-2 last night in Game 1 of the first-round playoff series.

Brian Rafalski and Jiri Hudler padded Detroit's lead late in the second period and early in the third.

Jimmy Howard made 26 saves for the third-seeded Red Wings.

Kyle Turris scored 2:16 in to put Phoenix ahead in his playoff debut. Radim Vrbata had a goal midway through the third period to pull the sixth-seeded Coyotes within two goals, but they couldn't get any closer.

Detroit killed four penalties in the first period — including a 5-on-3 power play that lasted 91 seconds — and dominated the second to build a two-goal lead.

The Red Wings seemed to get energized when Datsyuk tied it 1-1 at 7:38 of the second. He scored on a wraparound off an assist from Franzen, who then scored the go-ahead goal 4½ minutes later. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

4	2
RED WINGS	COYOTES

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▶ Phoenix's Ryan Whitney shoots wide on Detroit's Jimmy Howard last night.

Quoted

"Kobe Bryant's comment during last night's game was offensive and inexcusable."

NBA COMMISSIONER DAVID STERN. THE NBA FINED KOBE BRYANT $100,000 US YESTERDAY FOR USING A DEROGATORY GAY TERM WHEN REFEREE BENNIE ADAMS CALLED A TECHNICAL FOUL ON HIM TUESDAY NIGHT IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF L.A.'S WIN OVER SAN ANTONIO.

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Eskimos re-up with Hill

The Edmonton Eskimos extended the contract of defensive back-linebacker T.J. Hill through the 2012 season yesterday.

Hill was Edmonton's nominee for the CFL's outstanding defensive player award last year.

"We're very pleased to extend T.J.'s contract," Eskimos GM Eric Tillman said in a statement. "While the focus was often on others last year, T.J. quietly ranked fourth in the league in total tackles."

Hill is entering his fifth CFL season and third with Edmonton. He began his career in Canada in 2007 with Montreal. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Hill led the Eskimos with 91 tackles and two fumble recoveries while also registering three sacks and three interceptions.

Sports in brief

Bynum injury not serious

NBA. An MRI on L.A. Lakers centre Andrew Bynum yesterday showed only a bone bruise in his troublesome right knee.

The team says he should be able to play this weekend when the Lakers begin their quest for a third straight NBA title. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Madrid rolls past Spurs

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE. Real Madrid beat Tottenham 1-0 yesterday in the Champions League quarter-finals. Cristiano Ronaldo scored the only goal in a win for the Spanish club. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

PLAYOFFS

All times Eastern

CONFERENCE QUARTER-FINALS

(Best-of-7 series)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Washington (1) vs. N.Y. Rangers (8)
(Washington leads 1-0)
Last night's result
Washington 2 N.Y. Rangers 1 (OT)
Tomorrow's game
N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday's game
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 3 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
x-N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 3 p.m.
Monday, April 25
x-Washington at N.Y. Rangers, TBA
Wednesday, April 27
x-N.Y. Rangers at Washington, TBA
Philadelphia (2) vs. Buffalo (7)
Tonight's game
Buffalo at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday's game
Buffalo at Philadelphia, 5 p.m.
Monday's game
Philadelphia at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20
Philadelphia at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, April 22
x-Buffalo at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 24
x-Philadelphia at Buffalo, 3 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26
x-Buffalo at Philadelphia, TBA
Boston (3) vs. Montreal (6)
Tonight's game
Montreal at Boston, 7 p.m.
Saturday's game
Montreal at Boston, 7 p.m.
Monday's game
Boston at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 21
Boston at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
x-Montreal at Boston, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26
x-Boston at Montreal, TBA
Wednesday, April 27
x-Montreal at Boston, TBA
Pittsburgh (4) vs. Tampa Bay (5)
(Pittsburgh leads 1-0)
Last night's result
Pittsburgh 3 Tampa Bay 0
Tomorrow's game
Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Monday's game
Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20
Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
x-Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh, TBA
Monday, April 25
x-Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, TBA
Wednesday, April 27
x-Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh, TBA

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Vancouver (1) vs. Chicago (8)
Last night's result
Chicago at Vancouver
Tomorrow's game
Chicago at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Sunday's game
Vancouver at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19
Vancouver at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Thursday, April 21
x-Chicago at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Sunday, April 24
x-Vancouver at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26
x-Chicago at Vancouver, TBA
San Jose (2) vs. Los Angeles (7)
Tonight's game
Los Angeles at San Jose, 10 p.m.
Saturday's game
Los Angeles at San Jose, 10 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19
San Jose at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 21
San Jose at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
x-Los Angeles at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
Monday, April 25
x-San Jose at Los Angeles, TBA
Wednesday, April 27
x-Los Angeles at San Jose, TBA
Detroit (3) vs. Phoenix (6)
(Detroit leads 1-0)
Last night's result
Detroit 4 Phoenix 2
Saturday's game
Phoenix at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Monday's game
Detroit at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20
Detroit at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.
Friday, April 22
x-Phoenix at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Sunday, April 24
x-Detroit at Phoenix, TBA
Wednesday, April 27
x-Phoenix at Detroit, TBA
Anaheim (4) vs. Nashville (5)
Last night's result
Nashville at Anaheim
Tomorrow's game
Nashville at Anaheim, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday's game
Anaheim at Nashville, TBA
Wednesday, April 20
Anaheim at Nashville, TBA
Friday, April 22
x-Nashville at Anaheim, 10 p.m.
Sunday, April 24
x-Anaheim at Nashville, TBA
Tuesday, April 26
x-Nashville at Anaheim, TBA
x — played only if necessary.

PENGUINS 3, LIGHTNING 0

First Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — Kubina TB (interference) 9:36, Kennedy Pgh (hooking) 9:50, Moore TB (holding) 11:24, Malone TB (cross-checking) 15:26, Lovejoy Pgh (hooking) 19:01.
Second Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — Downie TB (hooking) 3:13, Malone TB, Kovalev Pgh (roughing) 8:46.
Third Period
1. Pittsburgh, Kovalev 1 (Neal, Martin) 6:05
2. Pittsburgh, Asham 1 (Letang, Orpik) 6:23
3. Pittsburgh, Kunitz 1 (Staal, Orpik) 19:18 (en)
Penalties — Bergenheim TB (tripping) 7:39, Lundin TB (high-sticking) 9:11.

Shots

Tampa Bay	14	7	11	—32
Pittsburgh	10	18	12	—40

Goal — Tampa Bay: Roloson (L,0-1-0); Pittsburgh: Fleury (W,1-0-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Tampa Bay: 0-1; Pittsburgh: 0-6.
Referees — Eric Furlatt, Wes McCauley. **Linesmen** — Steve Barton, Steve Miller.
Att. — 18,390 (18,087) at Pittsburgh.

CAPITALS 2, RANGERS 1 (OT)

First Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — New York bench (too many men; served by Prospal) 5:31, Zuccarello NYR (boarding) 10:13, Semin Wash (hooking) 18:08.
Second Period
No Scoring.
Penalties — None.
Third Period
1. N.Y. Rangers, Gilroy 1 (Wolski, Prust) 1:56
2. Washington, Ovechkin 1 (Semin, Green) 13:44

Penalty — Ovechkin Wash (roughing) 15:17.
First Overtime
3. Washington, Semin 1 (Arnott) 18:24
Penalties — None.
Shots on goal by

N.Y. Rangers	5	6	8	6	—25
Washington	9	8	6	10	—33

Goal — N.Y. Rangers: Lundqvist (L,0-1-0); Washington: Neuvirth (W,1-0-0).
Power plays (goals-chances) — N.Y. Rangers: 0-2; Washington: 0-2.
Referees — Dan O'Halloran, Brian Pochmara.
Linesmen — Derek Amell, David Brisebois.
Att. — 18,398 (18,398) at Washington.

RED WINGS 4, COYOTES 2

First Period
1. Phoenix, Turris 1 (Whitney, Doan) 2:16
Penalties — V.Filppula Det (tripping) 7:53, Lidstrom Det (hooking) 8:22, Abdelkader Det (high-sticking) 11:32, Schlemko Pho (slashing) 12:54, Helm Det (hooking) 18:49.
Second Period
2. Detroit, Datsyuk 1 (Franzen, Holmstrom) 7:38
3. Detroit, Franzen 1, 12:02
4. Detroit, Rafalski 1 (V.Filppula) 18:16 (pp)
Penalties — Eaves Det (hooking) 4:12, Hanzal Pho (holding stick) 5:30, Klesla Pho, Bertuzzi Det (fighting) 10:44, Jovanovski Pho (hooking) 16:54.
Third Period
5. Detroit, Hudler 1 (Miller) 3:16
6. Phoenix, Vrbata 1 (Hanzal, Korpikoski) 7:38
Penalty — Abdelkader Det (interference) 8:16.

Shots

Phoenix	11	8	9	—28
Detroit	9	17	10	—36

Goal — Phoenix: Bryzgalov (L,0-1-0); Detroit: Howard (W,1-0-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Phoenix: 0-6; Detroit: 1-3.
Referees — Paul Devorski, Steve Kozari. **Linesmen** — Tim Nowak, Brian Murphy.
Att. — 20,066 (20,066) at Detroit.

TENNIS

ATP MONTE CARLO MASTERS

At Monte Carlo, Monaco
Singles — Second Round
Rafael Nadal (1), Spain, def. Jarkko Nieminen, Finland, 6-2, 6-2.
Andy Murray (3), Britain, def. Radek Stepanek, Czech Republic, 6-1, 6-4.
David Ferrer (4), Spain, def. Feliciano Lopez, Spain, 6-2, 6-0.
Tommy Robredo, Spain, def. Fernando Verdasco (6), Spain, 6-4, 6-3.
Jurgen Melzer (7), Austria, def. Robin Haase, Netherlands, 3-6, 6-1, 6-2.
Gael Monfils (8), France, def. Daniel Gimeno-Traver, Spain, 7-5, 6-2.
Nicolas Almagro (9), Spain, def. Maximo Gonzalez, Argentina, 6-7 (6), 7-5, 7-6 (10).
Viktor Troicki (11), Serbia, def. Fabio Fognini, Italy, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4.
Richard Gasquet (13), France, def. Guillermo Garcia-Lopez, Spain, 6-2, 6-1.
Marin Cilic (15), Croatia, def. Pere Riba, Spain, 5-2 (retired).
Gilles Simon (16), France, def. Albert Montanes, Spain, 6-3, 6-4.
Frederico Gil, Portugal, def. Florian Mayer, Germany, 7-5, 6-1.
Doubles — Second Round
Max Mirnyi, Belarus, and **Daniel Nestor (2), Toronto,** def. Richard Gasquet, France, and Ivan Ljubicic, Croatia, 6-2, 7-5.

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EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	6	4	.600	—
New York	6	4	.600	—
Toronto	6	6	.500	1
Tampa Bay	3	8	.273	3½
Boston	2	9	.182	4½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	8	4	.667	—
Kansas City	7	4	.636	½
Chicago	7	5	.583	1
Detroit	5	7	.417	3
Minnesota	4	7	.364	3½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	9	3	.750	—
Los Angeles	7	5	.583	2
Oakland	6	6	.500	3
Seattle	4	8	.333	5

Yesterday's results
Toronto 8 Seattle 3
L.A. Angels 4 Cleveland 3 (12 innings)
Oakland 7 Chicago White Sox 4 (10 innings)
Kansas City 10 Minnesota 5
Detroit 3 Texas 2
N.Y. Yankees 7 Baltimore 4
Tampa Bay at Boston, ppd.
Wednesday's results
Seattle 3 Toronto 2
Tampa Bay 3 Boston 2
L.A. Angels 2 Cleveland 0
Minnesota 4 Kansas City 3 (10 innings)
Chicago White Sox 6 Oakland 5 (10 innings)
Detroit 5 Texas 4
Baltimore at N.Y. Yankees, ppd., rain
Tonight's games
All times Eastern
Minnesota at Tampa Bay, 6:40 p.m.
Baltimore at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
Seattle at Kansas City, 8:10 p.m.
Detroit at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.

BLUE JAYS 8, MARINERS 3

Toronto	ab	r	h	bi	Seattle	ab	r	h	bi
YEscor ss	5	1	3	1	ISuzuki rf	5	1	0	0
CPttrsn cf	5	1	2	0	AKndy 2b	4	0	2	0
Bautist rf	5	1	1	3	Bradly lf	5	0	1	1
JRiver lf	3	0	0	0	Cust dh	5	0	1	0
Snider ph-lf	2	1	1	0	Smoak 1b	3	1	1	1
J.Nix 3b	5	1	2	0	Lngrhn cf	2	1	0	0
Arencii dh	4	0	1	1	LRdrgz 3b	3	0	0	0
Encrnc 1b	4	1	1	1	Ryan ss	3	0	1	1
JMcDnl 2b	4	1	0	0	CGmnz c	3	0	1	0
JMolin c	4	1	3	2					
Totals	**41**	**8**	**14**	**8**	**Totals**		**33**	**3**	**7**	**3**

Toronto	001	000	061	8
Seattle	001	001	010	3

E—J.Nix (2). LOB—Toronto 9, Seattle 10. 2B—Y.Escobar (1), J.Nix (2), Encarnacion (3), J.Molina 2 (3), Bradley (4). HR—Bautista (3), Smoak (1). SB—Snider (3), J.Nix (2). S—L.Rodriguez.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Drabek	5 2-3	6	2	2	4	5
Rzepczynski W,1-0	2	0	1	1	1	2
Rauch	1 1-3	1	0	0	1	1
Seattle						
Vargas	6 2-3	5	1	1	1	7
J.Wright H,2	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Ray L,1-1 BS,2-2	2-3	5	5	5	0	0
Lueke	1-3	2	1	1	1	1
Wilhelmsen	1	2	1	1	1	1

WP—Drabek.
Umpires—Home, Wally Bell; First, Laz Diaz; Second, Scott Barry; Third, John Hirschbeck.
T—3:23. A—12,407 (47,878) at Seattle.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	8	3	.727	—
Florida	6	5	.545	2
Washington	5	6	.455	3
Atlanta	5	7	.417	3½
New York	4	7	.364	4

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	8	4	.667	—
Milwaukee	6	5	.545	1½
Chicago	6	6	.500	2
Pittsburgh	5	6	.455	2½
St. Louis	4	7	.364	3½
Houston	3	9	.250	5

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Colorado	8	2	.800	—
Los Angeles	6	5	.545	2½
Arizona	5	5	.500	3
San Diego	5	6	.455	3½
San Francisco	5	6	.455	3½

Last night's results
Colorado 5 N.Y. Mets 4
San Diego 3 Cincinnati 2
Milwaukee 6 Pittsburgh 0
Philadelphia 3 Washington 2
Florida 5 Atlanta 1
Chicago Cubs 9 Houston 5
St. Louis at Arizona
L.A. Dodgers at San Francisco
Wednesday's results
San Francisco 5 L.A. Dodgers 4
Houston 11 Chicago Cubs 2
Atlanta 5 Florida 0
Washington 7 Philadelphia 4
Arizona 13 St. Louis 8
Cincinnati 8 San Diego 2
Milwaukee at Pittsburgh, ppd., rain
Colorado at N.Y. Mets, ppd., rain
Today's games
All times Eastern
Colorado at N.Y. Mets, 12:10 p.m., 1st game
Colorado at N.Y. Mets, 3:40 p.m., 2nd game
Milwaukee at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington, 7:05 p.m.
Florida at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.
San Diego at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
St. Louis at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.

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MLS

Last night's results
Los Angeles 0 Toronto FC 0
Colorado at Real Salt Lake
Tonight's game
All times Eastern
Chicago at Portland, 11 p.m.
Saturday's games
Seattle FC at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
Chivas USA at Vancouver, 7 p.m.
D.C. United at Toronto FC, 7 p.m.
Sporting Kansas City at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.
San Jose at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday's games
Los Angeles at Chicago, 4 p.m.
FC Dallas at Portland, 6 p.m.
New England at Houston, 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 21
New York at D.C. United, 8 p.m.
Friday, April 22
Seattle FC at Colorado, 9:30 p.m.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Chicago	62	20	.756	—
y-Miami	58	24	.707	4
y-Boston	56	26	.683	6
x-Orlando	52	30	.634	10
x-Atlanta	44	38	.537	18
x-New York	42	40	.512	20
x-Philadelphia	41	41	.500	21
x-Indiana	37	45	.451	25
Milwaukee	35	47	.427	27
Charlotte	34	48	.415	28
Detroit	30	52	.366	32
New Jersey	24	58	.293	38
Washington	23	59	.280	39
Toronto	22	60	.268	40
Cleveland	19	63	.232	43

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-San Antonio	61	20	.753	—
x-Dallas	57	25	.695	4½
y-L.A. Lakers	56	25	.691	5
y-Oklahoma City	55	27	.671	6½
x-Denver	50	32	.610	11½
x-Portland	48	33	.593	13
x-Memphis	46	35	.568	15
x-New Orleans	46	36	.561	15½
Houston	43	39	.524	18½
Phoenix	39	42	.481	22
Utah	39	43	.476	22½
Golden State	35	46	.432	26
L.A. Clippers	31	50	.383	30
Sacramento	24	57	.296	37
Minnesota	17	65	.207	44½

x-clinched playoff spot; y-clinched division; z-clinched conference
Last night's results
Miami 97 Toronto 79
Orlando 92 Indiana 74
Charlotte 96 Atlanta 85
Houston 121 Minnesota 102
Milwaukee 110 Oklahoma City 106 (OT)
Chicago 97 New Jersey 92
Dallas 121 New Orleans 89
Utah 107 Denver 103
Cleveland 100 Washington 93
Detroit 104 Philadelphia 100
Boston 112 New York 102
Portland at Golden State
Memphis at L.A. Clippers
San Antonio at Phoenix
L.A. Lakers at Sacramento
END OF REGULAR SEASON
Wednesday's results
Chicago 103 New York 90
Portland 102 Memphis 89
L.A. Lakers 102 San Antonio 93

SOCCER

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

QUARTER-FINALS

Second Leg
Yesterday's results
Schalke (Germany) 2 Inter Milan (Italy) 1 (Schalke advances on 7-3 aggregate)
Tottenham (England) 0 Real Madrid (Spain) 1 (Real Madrid advances 5-0)

SEMI-FINALS

First Leg
Tuesday, April 26
All times Eastern
Schalke vs. Manchester United, 2:45 p.m.
Wednesday, April 27
Real Madrid vs. Barcelona, 2:45 p.m.

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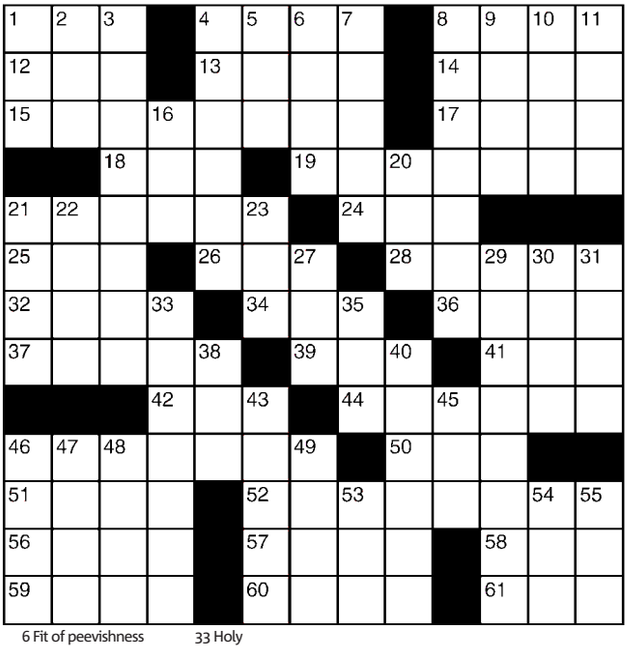


Across

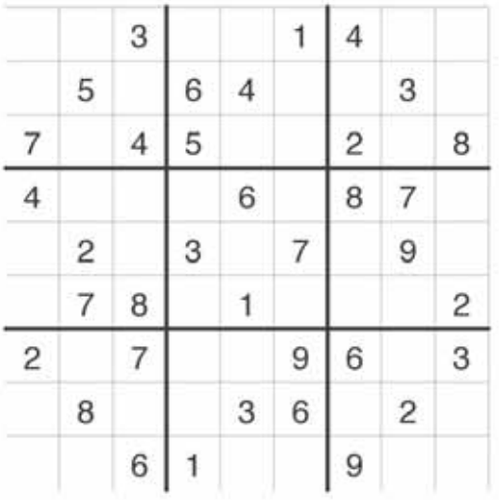
1 Trot
4 Recipe meas.
8 Agents, for short
12 Actress Gardner
13 Top-rated
14 Seed coat
15 Perform upkeep on
17 Capri, e.g.
18 "Kidding!"
19 Adulterated
21 Laundromat fixture
24 Science workshop
25 Slangy suffix
26 Scepter
28 Photo shoot VIP
32 Beams of light
34 Stir-fry pan
36 Test the waters
37 Small plateaus
39 Bro or sis
41 "There's no — team"
42 Charged bit
44 Ate
46 Less distinct
50 Trawler need
51 Oodles
52 "The Mona Lisa," e.g.
56 Caterwaul
57 Teen's woe
58 — de Cologne
59 Convince
60 Fast time?
61 Spinning stat

Down

1 Predicament
2 Eggs
3 Contradicts
4 Rag
5 Squeezing snake
6 Fit of peevishness
7 Punishment-related
8 Spectrum
9 Formerly, formerly
10 Heap
11 Coaster
16 Japanese theater
20 Cartesian conclusion
21 Apple invader
22 Wings
23 Squabble
27 Two, in Tijuana
29 More frilly
30 Falco of "Nurse Jackie"
31 Impart for a while
33 Holy
35 Tease
38 Drunkard
40 Easter accessory
43 Kathmandu's land
45 Drench
46 Wray and Weldon
47 "That was — blow!"
48 Corn Belt state
49 "The Amazing —"
53 B&B
54 Siesta
55 Wrigley product

▶ Yesterday's answer

Sudoku



How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

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ROMZ <3

Happy Birthday babe! Enjoy the 23rd lvl! It's all down from here MUAHAHA well not really. don't forget to do all those things you can't do any other day of the year.
YOUR CHOCOLATE LOCO [BAR]

Kitten <3,
I know it's been hard and our trust has been put to the test but we both know we're right for each other. So what is it to be? yes or no?... will we share another game of tekken ?
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A look at the weather

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Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You have a knack for reading people's body language. Use it.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 You may want to withdraw into your shell. It would be a waste.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 No matter how busy you are at work, you must free up time to spend with your friends.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 A throwaway remark might not be meant seriously but certain people will take it seriously, so be careful what you say.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 Make it your business to find out why certain people are behaving erratically. You'll be surprised.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 You'll start to see solutions where before you saw problems.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Do you get involved in a dispute that is none of your business? You better decide quickly.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 If you can get others to do a large slice of your work for you today then do so.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 If you need help today, ask for it. Don't wait for others to notice you're having a hard time.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Others will sense your confidence and offer to do things for you. Why deny them?

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You'll find it easy to express yourself. Others will get you.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. You'll hear something that pleases you. Don't be suspicious of it. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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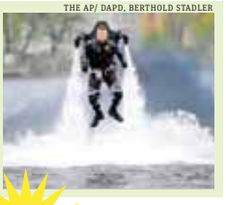

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